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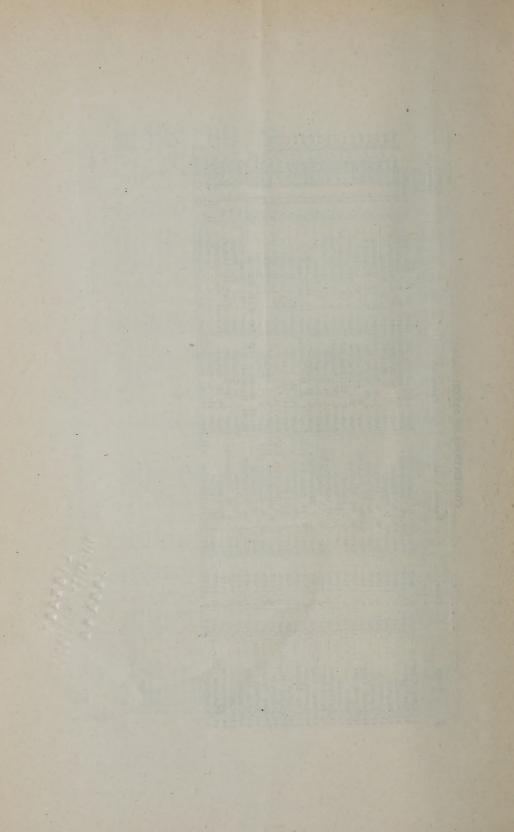
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HELD AT NEWTON, IOWA, NOVEMBER 9th, 1920 FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, NEWTON, IOWA, NOVEMBER 9th, 1920

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa met in its sixty-sixth annual convention in the First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Newton, Iowa, Rev. W. H. Blancke, D.D., pastor, on November 9th, 1920, 7:45 p. m. The Lithurgical service was conducted by Rev. M. A. Getzendaner, Secretary of Synod. Rev. H. A. Anspach, President of Synod, delivered the Synodical Sermon on text Jude 3. Theme, "Contending for Faith."

Wednesday Morning, November 10th, 1920, 9:15 a.m.

The Liturgical and Service of Confession and Absolution was conducted by Rev. J. J. Gent. The Communion Sermon was preached by Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, using for his text I Corinthians II:29; Holy Communion service was conducted by the Secretary, assisted by Rev. J. J. Gent and Rev. T. F. Weiskotten. The Woman's Missionary Society Convention united in the services with the members of the Synod.

FIRST SESSION

Wednesday, November 10th, 10:30 a.m.
The first business session was opened in the regular form by the President of the Synod.

The roll call and enrollment of lay delegates.

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The President's Report was read and referred to Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BRETHREN OF THE SYNOD:-

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. After another year, under the Providence of God, again we meet as the Synod of Iowa, in its sixty-sixth convention. The past year has been one of reconstruction and readjustment in our own and other nations. Much of the world is still in a state of chaos and misery. The teachings of Christ and the ministration of mercy are sorely needed in the waste places. In this formative period of the world's history, if she is to follow the lead of him whose name she bears and on the anniversary of whose birth we meet, if she is to be true to her traditions, the Lutheran Church will play a leading part. The United Lutheran Church in America is now closely knit together, well organized, and ably officered. We are ready. The day is at hand. Let us then be up and doing.

I herewith submit, for your consideration, a report of official activities in the Synod during the past year.

Resignations

Rev. A. K. Walborn, Dubuque, effective Jan. 27th, 1920.

Rev. H. Mueller vacated the pulpit of the Fernald church on May 1st, 1920, his term as supply pastor having ended at that time.

Rev. T. A. Goodmonson, Iowa Falls; effective April 1st, 1920.

Rev. L. A. Harshman, Ottumwa; effective July 25th, 1920. Rev. D. R. Huber, D.D., Sioux City, resigned October 10th, 1920, the resignation to take effect November 21st, 1920.

Dismissals

On Oct. 30th, 1919, as authorized by the Synod, I dismissed the congregations at Williston, N. D., and Grand Forks, N. D., to the Synod of the Northwest.

November 8th, 1920, Rev. C. J. Ferster to the Synod of the Northwest. February 27, 1920, Rev. A. K. Walborn to the Nebraska Synod.

April 23rd, 1920, Rev. H. A. Wolfe to the Synod of Northern Illinois.

May 1st, 1920, Rev. Wm. Hoffman to the Synod of Nebraska.

July 22d, 1920, Rev. L. A. Harshman to the Kansas Synod. October 30th, 1920, Rev. T. A. Goodmonson to the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of America.

Calls Accepted and Charges Assumed.

Rev. Henry Voegtly, Valley Junction, April 15th, 1920.

Rev. Paul A. J. Buelow, Tipton, April 4th, 1920.

Rev. W. D. Ziegler, Dubuque, May 15th, 1920. Rev. H. B. Shank, Fernald, October 1st, 1920.

Rev. F. H. Saemann, Iowa Falls, November 1st, 1920.

Installations

Rev. Henry Voegtly, Valley Junction, April 19th, 1920, Rev. Paul J. Gerberding officiating.

Rev. Paul A. J. Buelow, Tipton, April 18th, 1920, by the President of

Rev. W. D. Ziegler, Dubuque, May 16th, 1920, Rev. H. L. Yarger, D.D., officiating.

Licenses Granted

The following were granted ad interim licenses:

Leland Lesher, student supply at Waterloo, May 11th, 1920.

Louis Gray, student supply at Ely, May 21st, 1920.

J. W. Peterson, Iowa Synod beneficiary student in Western Theological Seminary, May 21st, 1920.

Improvements

On October 31st, 1920, St. Paul's Church at Davenport, Rev. J. A. Miller, pastor, in which improvements had been made by a new seating arrangement and the addition of a balcony, thus doubling the seating capacity, and by redecoration, was rededicated. The cost of the improvements was approximately \$13,000.00, all of which was provided for by the day of the rededication. The sermon was preached by the Rev. H. L. Yarger, D.D.

Change of Place of Meeting

The Synods of the state of Illinois having met at Carthage during the month of June, at which time the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the college was celebrated, and the Wartburg Synod having conserquently decided to meet elsewhere than at Carthage, it was deemed advisable to change the place of meeting of the Synod. Invitations were received from the congregation at Davenport, Newton and Fort Madison. The time and place were determined by a vote of the officers of the Synod.

State of the Church

The following is a digest of the reports on the state of the church. The Sacrament of the Altar is administered regularly and fairly well attended in most congregations. It would seem that the average attendance is about sixty per cent. of the membership. One pastor reports that one communion announcement included the date upon which each person last communed and that results were good.

Many parents are not as faithful as they should be in having the chil-

dren baptized.

Family altars seem to be on the increase though some pastors report very few indeed. Grace before meals is the rule in more homes than formerly was true, several reports would indicate. One pastor reports some form of worship in about one-half of the homes of his congregation. Good sermons on the subject of family worship and the personal attention of the pastors to the matter in the individual homes ought to be fruitful of good results.

Generally speaking, attendance at the services of worship seems to be

as good, if not better, than a year ago.

While some reports indicate a lack of co-operation on the part of the adults, on the whole the Sunday Schools are encouraging. Most schools are well organized and the attendance and offerings are good. The old problem of securing teachers is still with us.

In the Young People's Societies there is much room for improvements,

though some are doing very creditable work.

The Woman's Missionary Societies are usually small but flourishing. Other Auxiliary organizations seem to have more members and are usually more active.

Only one pastor reports the use of the Sunday School literature that is not Lutheran. Subscriptions for the Lutheran are on the incease in

nearly all congregations, which augurs well for our churches.

Most encouraging are the financial reports. Giving seems to have kept pace with increased costs. Several churches have considerable money in the treasury. While a number of churches have not met the full apportionment, there has been a great increase in benevolent offerings.

Recommendations

That appointments and authorizations by the President be approved. That we comply with the request of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church by fixing our apportionment year to begin December 1st.

That we declare ourselves holding that salaries for pastors of less than \$1500.00 and house are inadequate, and that the President of Synod urge all congregations to meet this minimum goal.

That we seek an exchange of fraternal delegates with other Lutheran

bodies on the Territory of the Synod.

Valley Junction

On October 26th, 1919, an organization was effected in Valley Junction to be known as the First Evangelical Lutheran Church. The officers were elected, the proscribed constitution adopted, property purchased, and Rev. Henry Voegtly called as pastor. Services have been held regularly since the organization and much progress has been made along various lines. The congregation applies for admission to membership.

Conclusion

Thanking you for the confidence shown in me by electing me as your President, and for your support throughout the year, I now return the trust you reposed in me.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. H. A. ANSPACH.

Committee on Reference and Council reported. Report of the Committee on New Constitution:

Motion carried that the report of the New Constitution be received. Motion carried that the New Constitution be adopted section by section. President declared Synod would reconvene at 1:30 p. m. Adjourned.

SECOND SESSION, NOV. 10, 1920; 1:30 p.m.

Rev. C. N. Swihart led in prayer.

The constitution was adopted article by article. Report of Committee on Reference and Council.

The motion was carried that election of officers be held immediately after the report of the Statistician and Treasurer.

Report of Trustees of the Synod. Motion was carried that this report be referred to an auditing committee.

Report of the Trustees of Synod.

We, the Trustees, submit the following report:

We, the Trustees of Synod came into the possession of Emmanuel Church property, Des Moines, Iowa, through a loan of \$1264.17, as reported at last Synodical Convention, and by the discontinuance of the congregation.

This property was sold by your order for the sum of \$3125 on a payment plan contract. By your direction this fund was made an edowment fund for Iowa Missions. This wise action permitted us to take advantage

of an exceptional opportunity to purchase a desirable property for the newly-organized congregation at Valley Junction, Iowa, to which congregation we extended a loan of \$800.00, without interest, until complete arrangements were made with board of church extensions to finance the proposition. Said \$800.00 was used about three months and then returned to your Trustees.

Assessments and Receipts

| Oct. 1, 1919, contract of sale for Emmanuel property \$3125.00 Oct. 1, 1919, loan to Koser Bros., Iowa City, Iowa 293.63 Sept. 30, 1920, interest collected on contract to 9-1-20 101.40 Sept. 30, 1920, interest collected on cash balance to 10-1 22.15 Sept. 20, 1919, interest collected from Koser Bros 1.47 |
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| Total Receipts\$3543.65 |
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| Oct. 30, 1919, commission paid on sale |
| Our Assets at the Present Time Are Represented as Follows: |
| Balance of Emmanuel contract, Oct. 1, 1920\$1500.00 Cash in bank, subject to check, Oct. 1, 19201062.60 |
| Total assets in hands of your Trustees\$2562.60 |
| This Amount is Divided in Separate Funds as Follows: |
| Wendt Fund |
| J. S. LEAMER, For Trustees. |

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions and Church Extensions. The motion was carried that the report of this Board be adopted.

Report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions and Church Extension Mr. President and Brethren:—

Our Missions have done well during the year. The reports in our hands show that progress has been made along all lines and that the men in charge have been zealous in good works. Of the eleven points that we are aiding, two, Waterloo and Ottumwa, are vacant. Iowa Falls has called Rev. F. H. Saemann, who located there shortly. We believe that a pastor will soon be secured for Ottumwa. Princeton-Pleasant Valley, under the genial and wholesome leadership of Pastor Getzendaner, shows an increase in membership. Thirty-three (33) were received during the year. Total communicants, eighty (80). They have paid to Benevolence \$258.00. The finances are in good condition and the interest in church activities is growing. They have built a parsonage costing nearly \$4000.00. The Council Bluff's Mission has been doing excellently since Pastor Ringer has come upon the field. This year they report sixty-two (62) accessions to membership with a total communicant list of one hundred and seventy-five (175). Repairs were made on the parsonage costing about \$1800.00, of which amount over \$1500.00 has been pledged. All activities are in good working order. Fort Madison with Pastor Gent as its leader has a very excellent record fo this year. Twenty-five (25) new members have been received and the present enrollment is eighty-four (84). In addition to the salary, the congregation has paid on the parsonage during the year, \$1620.65 and \$250.00 as interest on deferred payments. Against the balance of \$4000.00 they have pledges amounting to \$3000.00. We consider this an excellent showing for this aggressive little group of people. Benevolence paid, \$451.00.

Webster City moves forward under the guidance of Pastor Herbst. Twenty-four (24) members have been received during the year and there are now one hundred and eleven (III) communicant members. The several departments of work are in excellent condition. Their total Benevolence for the year is \$216.73. Muscatine shows good results under the active leadership of Pastor Weiskotten. Ten (10) members have been enrolled during the year, giving them a communicant membership of one hundred and seventeen (117). The several organization are doing their work well. Apportionment was paid in full. The new pastor, Rev. W. D. Ziegler, has taken hold of the mission at Dubuque and the report shows that the church is doing nicely. Fourteen (14) new members have been received, making a total communicant membership of one hundred and thirty-six (136). Total benevolence paid was \$559.00. Ottumwa has paid \$700.00 on its indebtedness during the year. Ely has repaired its property; the cost of which has been paid. Excellent work was done here during the summer by Student Gray, of Hamma Divinity School, and the opportunity for our church has never been brighter. They have forty-seven (47) members. They have paid their apportionment. Waterloo has been given good care during the summer by Student Leland Lesher. The basement was refloored and other small improvements were made. The

people have taken new courage and the prospects for our Mission are greatly improved. Iowa Falls, although without a pastor, has been doing nicely. They have reduced their indebtedness during the year by \$2000.00 and have paid their apportionment. Fairport is being cared for by Pastor Jones, of New Era. He reports that he is able to hold satisfactory serv-

ices and that the Sunday School is very good.

The new First Lutheran Church of Valley Junction, Rev. Henry Voegtly, pastor, knocks for admission to the Synod and the Board is glad to present it for membership. The congregation is doing well; has reduced the debt on the church, repaired it, and improved it in many ways. The membership grows and we have a good field. Our Missionary Superintendent has given his time to caring for the vacant Missions and has given good service at all of them. He has been put in charge of the work at Ottumwa for the time being, that the situation there might be improved and made ready for the coming of a pastor.

Superintendent Gerberding reports collections for the year amounting to \$304.92, and an expense account of \$212.14; leaving a balance of \$92.78.

Treasurer's Report from October 1, 1919, to September 30, 1920.

Receipts

| Treasurer of Synod\$257 Missionary Superintendent36 | |
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| Refund by Leland Lesher | 1.50 |
| Total receipts\$302 | 4.44 |

Disbursements

| Superintendent's salary\$18 | 300.00 |
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| Pastor, Iowa Falls | 211.48 |
| Pastor, Ottumwa | 150.00 |
| Interest on church debt, Ottumwa | |
| | 203.36 |
| Valley Julioted Vitalian Control of the Control of | 278.72 |
| Supply Pastor, Waterloo | 20.99 |
| | 47.14 |
| Board meetings | 97.88 |
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| Total disbursements | \$3008.87 |
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| October 1, 1920, balance | 15.57 |

Respectfully submitted, ARTHUR DEAN Treasurer.

The one pathetic situation in all of the Missions is the inadequate salaries that we seem compelled to pay our men. Some of them are living at fingers ends all the time and it is not right. Somehow or other the Church must be aroused to the need of giving adequate support to these faithful, self-sacrificing pastors and their families, and a definite program of increases should be worked out all along the line. Because of

this condition we are asking that this year Synod give us for our Iowa work \$3000.00. We are sure that the interest that we have in the Kingdom will not cause us to hesitate for one moment in assuring the new Committee this amount of money for next year's work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER, Chairman.

Report of Western Theological Seminary. The motion was carried that the report be adopted.

Western Theological Seminary

The seminary opened its sessions this fall with eleven resident students and two non-resident students. A few more will be enrolled at the next

A definite program has been arranged for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the seminary for the 16th of this month. Rev. J. A. Clutz, D.D., the first president of the institution, will deliver the anniversary address upon the subject "The True Function of the Theological Seminary." The installation of the Rev. E. Klotsche, Ph.D., D.D., as professor of Exegetical Theology, will also take place. The board is anxious that all the alumni of the school be present.

We recommend that the secretary of Synod write Dean Sysinger, conveying to him our best wishes for his good health, asking him to present our congratulations and good wishes to the seminary and Board of Directors on the 25 years of splendid service that the institution has given to the church. The term of A. B. Leamer as a member of the Board of

Directors, expires at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER, I. L. NEDROW.

Report of the Historian and Archivist. Motion to adopt this report was carried.

Report of Historian and Archivist

The copies of the minutes and bound volumes of the minutes are in good shape. The other records in my possession are also in good condition and are at your disposal at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER.

Report of Trustees of Tabitha Home. Motion to adopt this report was carried; with privilege to change one article.

The Report of the Trustee for the Tabitha Home

Your trustee attended the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tabitha Home, Lincoln Nebr., at the home on May 4th. The reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer were the best in the history of Tabitha Home. The receipts for the year were \$43,138.76. Expenditures \$40,823.73; of this amount \$12,915.30 was paid on indebtedness, which leaves Tabitha free of debt. The credit for this excellent financial report belongs to the work and efforts of the efficient and hard-laboring superintendent, Rev. E. Walter.

The inmates in the home are at the present time 81: children 38; boys, 16; girls 22; aged and helpless, 43. The great need of the home is a new fire proof building for orphans, so as to make the present building entirely available as a home for the aged and helpless, which then will double the capacity of the home.

Tabitha has many applications from old and young for admittance. To most of them the answer must be given: "No room."

We are informed that the United Lutheran Church at their convention at Washington, D. C., has made an appropriation for Tabitha Home, of \$20,000.00 per annum. We heartily commend Tabitha to our people as an institution of love and mercy and worthy of support.

We are grateful to God and the friends that have made these things possible and pray that God may raise up friends to provide for the new building.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER.

Report of Special Committee on Every Member Canvass. Motion to adopt this report was carried.

Report of Committee on Every Member Canvass

Your committee wishes to call attention to the importance of an Annual Every Member canvass in every congregation, and the use of the Duplex envelope system. And requests that Synod resolve to urge ALL its pastors and congregations to introduce the same.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MILLER.

The motion was made that a Nominating Committee of five be appointed by the President, to nominate the Executive Committee. This motion was carried. The following men were appointed for this committee: W. H. Blancke, D.D., Rev. C. N. Swihart, D.D., Rev. J. M. Herbst, Rev. Lee D. Kosen, and Arthur Dean.

The motion to adjourn was carried.

Rev. Mendenhall dismissed the session by prayer.

THIRD SESSION

Thursday, 11th, 1920, 9 a. m.

Rev. Heisey opened the session with prayer.

Report of Committee on President's Report. Motion prevailed that the report be adopted.

Report of the Committee on the President's Report

Your committee on the President's report very carefully reviewed same and highly commends the President for his conscientious attention to the exacting demands of his office.

We rejoice with the President over the splendid progress made along the line of family worship in the homes, and urge all the pastors to especially encourage all their people to introduce this custom of family Bible reading and prayers.

The pastors' attention should also be given to increase the attendance at and interest in the Mission Societies' meetings of each congregation.

We recommend the approval of the following items:

- I. The appointments and authorizations by the President be approved.
- II. That the Synod comply with the request of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church and fix our apportionment year to begin December 1st.
- III. That Synod recommend the minimum salary for their pastors be \$1500.00 and parsonage, and that the President be instructed to urge all congregations to comply with this resolution.
- IV. That the First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Valley Junction, Iowa, be received into membership.
- V. That the recommendations of the President to seek an exchange of fraternal delegates with other Lutheran bodies on the territory of our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. A. MILLER.

Report of the Committee on Minutes and Protocol. The motion passed that the report be adopted as read.

Report of the Committee on Minutes and Protocol

Your committee reports that it has examined the minutes and the protocol of last session of Synod and has found a few slight variations and also a few errors, viz.:

There is no title page to the protocol. The report of "Boys work" is not signed in the protocol.

On page eight of the minutes the words "of Home Missions," is omitted

from name of the committee. It is also omitted in protocol.

On page 46 of minutes motion prevailed that the recommendation of the President in reference to recommissioning the lay reader be stricken from minutes. Reference to page 11 shows it was not done.

Page 51, committee on Synodical paper, recommended that a paper be published and the committee appointed to prepare plans. Committee was appointed. Have they worked out a plan?

We suggest that these errors be corrected as far as possible. Respectfully submitted.

GEO. N. MENDELHALL.

The Statistician made his report. The mothion prevailed that we accept the report.

The Report of the Statistician

The new United Lutheran Parochial blanks were sent out in due season, and with few exceptions they returned late; the great majority failing to arrive before one week after the time designated, and some of them were even handed to the Statistician on the floor of the Synod. This is unfair to the man elected to this office, and we would suggest that a by-law be passed closing the Statistician's report at least one week before

the opening of Synod.

We are glad to report some gains that show real progress. For instance, the Catechumens instructed show an increase of 206 over last year, which indicates that Iowa pastors are doing some true Lutheran instruction in the fundamentals. Another increase that speaks well for the church is that in Communicant membership, though small. While the Baptized and Confirmed membership show a great decrease, yet the communicant membership show an increase, indicating that the members received are fruit bearing trees, and signifies that the brethren have been cutting out dead timber.

In the matter of finance there is an elaborate increase along all lines. Unusual expenses have been cut down; property value has increased \$160,000.00, while the indebtedness has increased only \$6,220.00. The total benevolence shows an increase of \$5,210.00, with a total of \$24,199.00 for all purposes, indicating that the Iowa churches have not turned a deaf

ear to the appeals of the Lord's cause.

use. Respectfully submitted, J. J. GENT.

The motion prevailed that Rev. E. Walter, of Tabitha Home, and Rev. H. O. Rohde, representative of the Foreign Mission Board be received as advisory members of Synod.

Report of Nachusa Orphanage. The motion passed that this report be accepted.

Report of Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage

We are happy to report another successful year at the Nachusa Orphanage. The health of the children has been good, crops have been better than for several years. Our income has been sufficient to meet current expenses and to pay the last of the old debt. During the past year we have received \$2500.00 as a memorial to Mrs. Cadence Ham, late of Iowa City; \$2000.00 from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob George, North Liberty; and \$500.00 from her husband, Jesse Ham of Davenport. This sum is to be applied to the erection of a new cottage or other new building operation. We commend the example of these faithful stewards to the prayerful consideration and cheerful emulation of others.

We have just about completed some needed improvements. The walls have been decorated, woodwork varnished, the outside of the building painted, composition floors laid in the playroom, hall and bathrooms, and heating plant improved. The total cost of these operations is nearly \$2500.00. We are trusting that our regular income will be sufficient to meet this expense.

There are but four employees, besides the teacher, doing the entire work of the institution, with the help of the children. This means that the burden is very heavy on the workers, and it should be relieved by more liberal support. The superintendent is absent from home about one-half the time, presenting the needs of the Home in the churches of the territory. The wisdom of such a course is shown by the fact that the income was increased during the past five years from \$6000.00 per annum tol \$22000.00 per annum. The churches are gradually rousing to a realization of the great need which we are trying to relieve and are responding more liberally each year.

Our greatest need is for dormitories. It is truly heartbreaking to be compelled to deny so many appeals for aid. We are still refusing applications at the rate of more than one each week. During the past five years we have refused more than three hundred. Does the church grasp the significance of these figures? Can it be that our people are willing that such destitution among our own people shall go unrelieved? If our people would but give the matter more serious thought we would surely not need to plead for larger support.

At the recent convention of the United Lutheran Church the Board of Inner Missions recommended that the territory of our Western orphanages be redistricted, giving the Tabitha Home all Synods west of the Mississippi, and to Nachusa the Synods of Illinois, Wartburg, Michigan, and the Wisconsin Conference of the Synod of the Northwest. This policy to be put into effect when it has been accepted by the Synods concerned. The Iowa Synod will thus be transferred to Tabitha Home. We shall be sorry to lose this Synod, as it has always given a ready response to our appeals. It is for the Synod to determine at this session whether it will accept this recommendation, and, if so, when the new policy shall go into effect. We are deeply grateful to this Synod, the members of its churches, its pastors, and the faithful men who have served on our Board of Directors, and urge that it press on to yet greater works in behalf of the needy children of the church.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. McCULLOCH, Supt.

The Nominating Committee reported, and the motion to adopt the report prevailed. The report of the Nominating Committee: President—J. S. Leamer, D.D. Secretary—M. A. Getzendaner. Treasurer—W. H. Rhodes. Executive Committee: Clerical—Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. J. O. Simon. Lay—C. F. Manhold, U. S. Alderman.

This being Armistice Day the President ordered that at eleven o'clock the Synod stand facing the East in silent prayer while Dr. A. B. Leamer and Dr. C. N. Swihart led us in prayer.

The motion prevailed to reconsider the motion to adopt the report of the Nominating Committee. The motion to receive the report of the Nominating Committee passed.

The President ordered that receiving of report means to place nominations before Synod.

Report of Committee on Conferences was received and motion was carried to adopt same.

Report of Committee on Conferences

Your committee on Conferences submits the following: A joint session of the Eastern and Western Conferences was held at Valley Junction in May, 1920.

A full and interesting program was presented, and participated in by the brethren. The attendance was good.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. LESHER.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was received and motion was carried to adopt same.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Whereas; Under most favorable and auspicious circumstances the Synod of Iowa is permitted to convene in sixty-sixth annual convention, in Newton, Iowa, and,

Whereas; we recognize God as our guide in all the work of the church during the year, and that without His leadership and council, we would utterly fail in our every endeavor, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That we render our gratitude and thanksgiving unto God for the way He has led us and the progress and growth in things temporal and spiritual which our church has made.

- (2) Resolved, That we express our appreciation of those active agencies within our United Lutheran Church that are striving toward and looking forward to the day when a larger proportion of synodical bodies will be led of God to cast their lots into a United Lutheranism.
- (3) Resolved, That we endorse the resolution of the Federated Brotherhood of the Synod of Iowa, which is as follows: "That we express our disapproval and opposition to all Sabbath descrating amusements and all employments that have for their object the commercializing of the Lord's Day, known as Sunday.
- (4) Resolved, That we extend our thanks and appreciation to Dr. Blancke, pastor loci, and Mrs. Blancke, and the congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Newton, Iowa. Also the choir for the inspiring music of the evening session, also Mrs. L. J. Myser, of Des Moines, and Mrs. Burr, of Newton, Ia., for their beautiful vocal solos; and Mr. Elliot Oakes, of Davenport, Ia., for his masterful violin solo; and to the members of this church who have opened their homes to the delegates of this convention and cared for them with a royal Christian hospitality.

Respectfully submitted, J. O. SIMON, Chairman.

The following officers were elected:

President, Rev. J. S. Leamer; Secretary, Rev. M. A. Getzandaner; treasurer, J. A. Behnke; Rev. J. A. Miller and Rev. J. O. Simon, Clerical members on the Executive Committee; Mr. C. F. Manhold and Hon. U. S. Alderman Lay members of the Executive Committee.

The motion was then carried to adjourn. Brother Simon closed the session with prayer.

FOURTH SESSION

Thursday, Nov. 11th, 1920, 1:30 p.m.

Rev. S. M. Lesher opened the session with prayer.

Rev. H. O. Rohde, representative of the Foreign Mission Board, addressed the Synod.

The President appointed the following named men to serve on Systematic Beneficence Committee: H. Handsaker and Alvin Bremer.

Motion was made that a committee of three be appointed to nominate members of the Mission Committee.

Report of the Committee on Vacancies was then received and the motion was carried to accept the same.

Report of the Committee on Vacancies

Your committee finds three vacancies in our territory. They are Waterloo, Ely and the Ottumwa-Douds parish.

The latter charge has called a pastor but he has not given his decision as yet; and a man is under consideration for Waterloo.

Respectfully submitted, REV. P. J. GERBERDING.

Report of the Committee on Boy's Work was received. The motion was carried to adopt same.

Report of the Committee on Work Among Boys

The boy problem is one that the church must meet. Teachers throughout the Christian world are giving keen thought to this problem, and many of them are of the opinion that the problem of the boy is more and more becoming the problem of the parents.

In accordance with recommendations of Synod last year the joint conference last spring gave a large part of its program to the discussion of work among boys. Many fine suggestions were brought out there, and in all probability the increase in the Sunday School where there was a decrease last year, is due to the help received from a discussion of this great activity at this conference, and during Synod.

The Church is not asleep, and reports indicate that nearly all of them are doing something in a positive way to keep the boy for God. Organized sport, organized classes, directed social activity, real interest in the boy himself is indicated throughout the Synod. But, after all, what we need in the church probably more than anything else is a "Win my Dad" movement; for if God gets the fathers, he will get the boys.

Respectfully submitted,

Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was received and motion carried to adopt report.

Report of the Sunday School Committee

| Your committee on Sunday Schools begs to report as follows: |
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| Number of officers and teachers |
| Number of scholars |
| Total enrollment |
| Cradle Roll 580decrease 61 |
| Home Department |
| Total contribution\$6995 increase\$1472 |

Your committee cannot go back of the Statistician's report nor search out the basis of the previous committee report. As a matter of record, in this report the total enrollment includes officers and teachers, the scholars, the home department and the cradle roll.

The committee observes that a great source of religious education is being overlooked in the home department. Of the 29 schools reporting, only four show home departments. The membership of the Sunday School can be materially increased through this agency. d through this agent Respectfully submitted, J. J. GENT.

The report of the Necrological Committee was made and adopted.

Rev. A. J. Williams addressed the Synod on Near East Relief.

Report of the chairman of the delegation to the United Lutheran Church in America. Motion was carried to adopt this report.

Report of Delegates to the National Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America

The first convention of the United Lutheran Church in America since the merger became effective in November, 1918, was held in the city of Washington, D. C., October 19th to 29th, 1920. The convention was held in the Luther Place-Memorial Lutheran Church, and was composed of about five hundred delegates, representing the former General Synod, Gen-

eral Council, and United Synod of the South.

What was really involved in this merger cannot be told in a few words, for it meant the consolidation of all corresponding activities and agencies which pertained to the merged bodies. All of this was the accomplishment of the various committees and commissions, which met many times during the biennium to adjudicate, adjust and harmonize all conflicting forces and whip them into reports and recommendations for the action of this Synod. How well the work was done finds ample confirmation in the Bulletin which was sent to all delegates weeks before the convening of the national body. Nothing was left to chance on accidental consideration, but everything that was of vital importance to the growth and future welfare of the United Lutheran Church in America had been given the closest consideration, as was shown by the various reports appearing in the *Bulletin*. And it is a fact, remarkable as surprising, that the program as arranged by the National Executive Committee was not departed from at any time. Nor were the recommendations appended to the reports of the various boards of the church turned down. We venture to think that never in the history of the Lutheran Church in America was a work of organizing the machinery of the church more perfectly done. And at Washington we witnessed not only the "body" of the United Lutheran Church in America, but we also saw the very "soul and spirit" of this same church. That branch of the Lutheran household of faith to which has been given the name of "The United Lutheran Church in America," has, without the slightest doubt, a consciousness not only of itself, but a vision also of the great needs of the world. So earnest were the men there gathered to transact "The King's Business" that "hand clapping" was taboed by one of the first motions passed by the body. That spirit

of deep reverence pervaded the sessions throughout the convention. The spirit of brotherly love and the spirit of sweet reasonableness were constantly in evidence and to these elements must be attributed the remarkable success of the convention and the perfect harmony and good will so much in evidence on the floor of the convention, in the committee meeting, in the casual meeting of the delegates everywhere. It will not be necessary to incorporate much data in this report since the convention authorized the printing of the proceedings and that a copy shall be mailed to every church and pastor. It is our solemn conviction that this, the first biennial convention of the United Lutheran Church of America, now a matter of history, will be regarded by future generations and church historians as the greatest and the best so far as its proceedings shall have influence in shaping the character, life and activities of the whole Lutheran Church in America.

Respectfully submitted, C. ROLLIN SHERCK, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers was received and motion was carried to adopt this report.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers

Among the material placed in our hands we find but one letter that requires our consideration. We advise that the communication from Dr. E. G. Miller, Executive Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Relief, be read to the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER.

Report of Committee on Inner Missions was received and motion was carried to adopt same.

Report of Committee on Inner Missions

Your committee on Inner Missions would report briefly.

Your committee has been studying the principles of Inner Missions, and presents the following:

A call came for a meeting of the chairmen of the Inner Mission Committees of the various Synods. After some correspondence, your servant determined to attend this meeting, held on Thursday and Friday, May 27th and 27th, this year, 1920, at Pittsburgh, Pa. There was a fine attendance and the discussions were helpful.

Only a few of the many important things discussed and adopted can be mentioned. Among others the principles of the Inner Missions were clearly set forth. The Inner Mission Board will aim to assist in the development of the activities of the members of the individual congregations. The Inner Mission Board has prepared quite a fine list of pamphlets and leaflets giving the very best things that can be had at this time. We would heartily recommend to our pastors to send to the secretary, Rev. W. M. Freas, for a package of the literature prepared.

We would call attention to the following points outstanding in the Inner Mission work:

They may be grouped under three heads: Congregational, Institutional and Educational.

First of all, Congregational ideals are to be studied. The universal priesthood of believers must be emphasized. The congregation as a force, rather than a field; a worth-while task for each member; the congregational and community survey to be made.

The policy of the board is briefly outlined as follows:

That we recommend local control and support; survey of institutions, division of territory for the support of institutions. The board is to be a clearing house and will assume control of none of the institutions.

The Educational work is to confine itself for the present to the publishing of leaflets and pamphlets for distribution. These can be had at a nominal cost and a number of them are for free distribution.

The executive committee allowed half of the expense of the trip to Pittsburgh of your committee chairman.

We would recommend that the brethren of the Synod will study most earnestly the Inner Mission work with a special view to congregational development.

Respectfully submitted, W. H. BLANCKE Chairman.

Report of the committee appointed to nominate the Mission Committee follows:

Rev. W. H. Blancke, D.D., Rev. A. B. Leamer, D.D., were nominated Ministerial Candidates.

Mr. L. D. Koser and Arthur Dean were nominated Lay Candidates.

Rev. J. S. Leamer, D.D., was nominated chairman.

Mr. H. O. Hjetland and Mr. Geo. Kloave were nominated to serve on this committee.

Election of trustees to Tabitha Home. Rev. Voegtly and Mr. Butler were appointed tellers.

Election of trustees to Nachusa Orphanage.

Rev. A. B. Leamer, D.D., Rev. W. H. Blancke, D.D., Mr. Arthur Dean and Mr. Lee Koser were elected on Mission Committee.

Rev. C. J. Ringer was elected Trustee of Tabitha Home.

The President-elect appointed the following committees: Committee on Ministerial Education, Rev. C. R. Sherck, Geo. Boyson. Examining Committee, Dr. Holmes Dysinger, 3 years; Rev. S. M. Lesher, 2 years, and Rev. P. H. Heisey, one year.

The following resolution was presented:

Be it resolved that our Synod accept for this year the budget of \$10,764.00, as apportioned by the United Lutheran Church for Benevolence. Motion was carried to table this resolution.

Rev. J. S. Leamer, D.D., was elected trustee to Nachusa Orphanage.

Rev. C. S. Bauslin addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Education.

Rev. A. B. Leamer, D.D., and I. S. Nedrow were elected Trustees to Western Theological Seminary.

Supplementary report of the committee on Constitution and By-Laws: The motion was carried that the By-Laws of the old Constitution, with the changes necessary to agree with the new Constitution be accepted, including the following By-Law:

There shall be appointed annually a standing committee consisting of two ministers and one layman, who shall report at each annual meeting on the relation of the Brotherhood to the Synod.

The motion carried that the printing of the Constitution be referred to the Executive Committee.

The resolution offered by Rev. A. B. Leamer, D.D., was adopted.

Whereas, the Rev. Professor Holmer Dysinger, D.D., L.L.D., an honored member of this Synod has recently completed fifty years of service in Christian education as a teacher and professor in our Lutheran schools;

Be It Resolved, That we, as a Synod, extend our most hearty congratulations to Dr. Dysinger, and that we express the hope and prayer that he may have continued good health in order that he may serve the Church and the Kingdom of God for many years to come.

Report of the Synodical Budget was received. Motion carried to strike out five cents apportionment for Nachusa Orphanage. The motion was made to reconsider the motion on the basis of apportionment, and was carried. The motion was carried to refer this motion back to the committee. Motion carried to strike out current expenses from the report carried.

The motion carried that the original report of the Systematic Beneficence Committee use for their basis the Confirmed Membership. Motion to adopt the report prevailed.

Report of Committee on Systematic Beneficence

Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence respectfully submit the following report.

| Ministerial Education Iowa Missions Tabitha Home Synodical Treas. | б5с | Budget \$1,017.00 3,306.00 508.00 254.00 |
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| Also the regular pro rata apportions | \$1.05 nent as will be fixed | |

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. GENT,
The motion was carried that the report of the Committee on Claims be adopted.

Report of Committee on Claims

| Your | Committee on Claims recommends the following claims for service, |
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| | allowed and an order on the Treasurer be drawn for same: |
| I. | M. A. Getzendaner, expenses to Synod\$13.63 |
| II. | H. A. Anspach, expenses to Synod |
| III. | J. S. Leamer, to Nachusa 2.06 |
| IV. | J. J. Gent, expenses to Synod 5.25 |
| | J. M. Herbst, expenses to Washington convention 14.50 |
| VI. | Lee D. Koser, expenses to Washington convention 20.00 |
| VII. | W. H. Blancke, expenses to Washington convention 14.50 |
| VIII. | C. R. Sherck, expenses to Washington convention 14.50 |
| IX. | C. J. Ringer, expenses to Washington convention 1.75 |
| X. | Earnest Work expenses to Washington convention 20.00 |
| | Respectfully submitted, |
| | C. ROLLIN SCHERCK, Chairman, |

The motion was carried to adjourn.

The session was closed with prayer by Brother Gerberding.

FIFTH SESSION

Friday, November 12th, 1920, 9 a.m.

Dr. H. S. Yarger opened the session with prayer.

Dr. H. D. Hoover, of Carthage College, and Dr. Yarger, Home Missionary Superintendent for the Central West, were made advisory members of Synod.

The minutes were read and adopted as corrected.

The motion prevailed that we proceed to ballot for the place of the meeting of Synod for next year.

The motion passed that the time of the next Synod be left to the decision of the Executive Committee and the pastor loci.

The Synod voted to accept the invitation of Davenport to meet with them next year.

The Committee on Absentees made their report and the motion prevailed to adopt the report.

Report of Committee on Absentees

I. The following clerical members of the Synod are absent and have sent their excuses:

Rev. A. J. Kissel, Rev. J. A. Lowe, Ph.D., Rev. Holmes Dysinger, D.D., Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth.

We recommend that they be excused.

II. The following are absent without excuse: Rev. W. K. Hill and Rev. L. C. Urlaub.

III. The following members have asked to be excused from further

attendance of this session of Synod:

Rev. J. A. McCullough, Rev. J. O. Simon, Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, Rev. S. M. Lesher, Rev. H. B. Shank, Rev. J. A. Miller, D. A. Gaston, H. G. Hansaker, A. L. Bremen, Svend Frimoldt, C. F. Manhold.

We recommend that their request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. ZIEGLER.

The Calendar Committee reported and the motion to adopt their report carried.

Carthage College reported. The motion to receive the report carried. The motion included that the board members should be enrolled in the Calendar.

Carthage College

The college opened with an increased enrollment of students September 15th. The college strengthened its faculty very materially by the addition of strong teachers, representing in their preparation thirty-three leading colleges and universities in this country and abroad. The Semi-Centennial celebrations of the year were interesting and significant events. About \$420,000.00 has been raised to date on the Semi-Centennial fund. To meet the needs of the college there must be raised at least \$80,000.00 more until June, 1921. The Lutherans established a college on this territory first at Hillsboro, Ill., in 1846, so that in 1921, 75 years of educational effort will have been completed. The great need of the church is a trained ministry. To get these candidates there must be a larger and more efficient co-operation of all the churches, her organizations and institutions. To fulfill our prayers there must be more financial help in the form of scholarships. The college needs the fully paid attention of every student. To meet the situation it is hoped that every church organize Lutheran Brotherhoods, and urge every Brotherhood to contribute a scholarship of \$100.00 for a worthy student each year.

The loyalty, love and suppot of the churches of the Iowa Synod are hereby gratefully acknowledged and appreciated. Your combined co-operation is prayerfully solicited and confidently expected for the sake of the church we all love.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McCULLOCH.

The motion to take from the table the motion that the budget be the same as last year passed.

The original motion passed.

The Treasurer made his report. The motion passed to accept

the report. (See page .)

The motion made the Treasurer be given the power to distribute the remaining money in the treasury as he sees best. The motion carried.

The motion prevailed that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Vollmer for his official service as Treasurer.

The motion prevailed that the usual number of minutes be secured and that the advertising space be the same as last year. Also that the minutes of the Brotherhood Convention and Women's Missionary Society be included in the printing of the minutes.

The motion carried to allow the Janitor ten dollars for his

services.

The motion prevailed that the stenographer be allowed fifteen dollars for his service.

Dr. Yarger addressed the Synod.

The motion to authorize the Executive Committee to amend the Articles of Incorporation and to have the seal prepared in agreement with the same passed.

The Auditing Committee made their report. The motion to

adopt the report passed.

Report of the Auditing Committee

We, the Auditing Committee, have audited books of the Board of Trustees and find their account correct as per report made, showing cash on hand of \$1062, and contract unpaid for sum of \$1500.00 on October 1st, 1920.

And we report that the Treasurer has received money at so late a date and has made disbursements not yet completed, we recommend the Treasurer be given time to complete books and present complete books with certified public accountant report on the same to Secretary for printed minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. MAYNE, Chairman.

The motion passed to adopt the minutes as a whole.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Synod was adjourned by President Anspach with the service for closing Synod.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the Sixty-sixth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa, held at Newton, Iowa, November 9-12, 1920.

MARK A. GETZENDANER.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE

| | 1920-1921 | | | | | |
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| 4 | Council Bluffs | 252 | 540 | 265 | | 804 |
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE

Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

THE DAY SESSIONS WERE HELD IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NEWTON, IOWA

FIRST SESSION

Tuesday, November 9, 1920, 2:00 p.m.

The Forty-sixth Annual Convention of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. W. H. Blancke, Newton, Iowa, her subject being "Consecration." The Convention prayer was offered by Mrs. Wm. Smay, Nevada, Iowa.

Officers present:

President: Miss Annette Bricker, Nevada.

.Vice Presidents: Mrs. C. Slonaker, Mrs. L. E. Blessing.

In the absence of the Recording Secretary a motion was made and carried that Mrs. Bobo act as Recording Secretary pro tem.

In the absence of the Treasurer a motion was made and carried that Mrs. L. E. Blessing act as Treasurer pro tem.

Call to order and presentation of credentials, with a two-minute report from each delegate.

Burlington—Mrs. S. M. Lesher.

Cedar Rapids—Mrs. Ida Eakle, Mrs. L. E. Blessing, Mrs. Geo. Hess and Mrs. J. Brannaman.

Davenport—Mrs. Geo. Nelson, Mrs. A. Butler. (The Davenport delegates asked that their Woman's Missionary Society be enrolled and was heartily received.)

Des Moines—Mrs. E. Hetzel, Mrs. J. W. Rehman, Mrs. O. O. Roe, Mrs. L. J. Myser, Mrs. H. F. Leibbe.

Des Moines Young People's-Miss Corinne Neafie.

Des Moines Mission Band—Mrs. A. B. Leamer.

Dubuque—Mrs. L. H. Butt.

Fairfield—Miss Huldah Bright.

Fernald-Mrs. H. G. Handsacker, Miss Blanche Hilburn.

Iowa City-Mrs. Geo. Koser, Mrs. Lee Koser.

Nevada—Women's: Mrs. W. Smay, Mrs. Henry Elliott, Mrs. W. Wooley. Young People's: Helga Larson, Mrs. C. C. Larson, Florence Page, Florence Mathison.

Newton-Mrs. Wehrman, Mrs. Wendt.

Webster City—Mrs. Henry Ingertson, Mrs. Best.

Visitors: Mrs. E. N. Sherman, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. C. F. Hoode, Des Moines; Mrs. Chas. Buse, Dubuque; Mrs. Etta Scheark, Iowa City; Mrs. Jennie Fike.

Address of Welcome—Mrs. C. Slonaker, Newton.

Response—Mrs. J. Bennaman, Cedar Rapids.

President's Address.

DEAR FRIENDS:

Again we meet in Convention after a year of work. Time's footsteps make no noise, but they move very rapidly, so it seems.

We have trodden the path of the days and weeks of the twelve months which have elapsed since our last nnual report was made, and today we present to you another of the milestones of our journey.

We have no record of phenomenal or uncommon events in our missionary life, but the steady, sturdy, natural growth of a healthy organization. Iowa has been well developed by the faithful workers in about fourteen congregations from which we can expect large returns from their organizations, but we wish and pray and work for a deeper consecration amongst us, for the fields in our possession perhaps better cultivated. Many in our congregations have not heard the call to service and upon us is laid the responsibility of winning them. It is right and proper to mention here the ones who have been called to their heavenly reward during the past year. Our dear Mrs. W. H. Bailey, of Iowa City, who for many years toiled and prayed for the success of the missionary work at home and abroad. although in past few years she was not able to attend our Convention, she did all in her power to support the work and to give encouragement to your President through written messages. We shall miss her council your President through written messages. We shall miss her council and good judgment. Also the sudden summons that took from our midst Miss Hannah Ringheim, of Nevada. A truly consecrated and devoted member of the Church, Sunday School and Missionary Society. More will be said of these and others who have fallen during the year, at our "Memorial Service." Their influence still abides.

To whom can we turn for recruits? The question brings our thoughts back to the one hard problem that has faced us many years. The Young People's Department. Lide not mean that they are being ground nor am.

People's Department. I do not mean that they are losing ground nor am I

discouraged, but rather encouraged, and wish to commend them for their splendid year's work. It is the lack of interest so many of our young people everywhere take in the things that count for leadership. Increased work has been planned for this department, new demands are made that will no doubt require sacrifice and labor, but wide-awake, up-to-date young people are not out hunting for easy things, but want to do something worth while for the Master, and are happiest when most busily engaged.

Last September it was the greatly appreciated privilege of your president to attend the Second Biennial Convention at Chicago. The meeting, with a view of getting better acquainted with each other and exchanging views and methods, was indeed helpful. Delegates representing all parts of the United States, Nova Scotia and Canada responded to roll call. The first meeting since the merging of the three great Lutheran bodies of Lutheran Women. The harmony and regularity of the work was wonderfully executed.

The devotions in charge of Mrs. E. C. Cronk were characterized by a spirit of deep devotion, simplicity and helpfulness.

Two years, and it was indeed marvelous to note the work as presented through the reports, Executive Secretary and Department Secretaries. Someone says: "We often say we caught a vision, but if we get a vision and with it there is no re-vision, it is not worth much." So with our united effort of the three Lutheran bodies, our church got the vision of greater things to be done for Christ and His kingdom, and with the vision the work shows wonderful results in re-vision. The great plea went forth again from the very heart of the Convention for more prayer, more money and more workers for the Foreign and Home Work, More Consecration, more Self Denial, for better development in our own lives. Mrs. Helen Montgomery's words came to us so often as appeal after appeal was made for more effort on our part to advance God's kingdom. "Story and proverb and poet, legislation and parable and exortation, all unite to emphasize God's sole ownership of earth and heaven." Through long centuries of painful training the childdren of Israel were taught to take the first fruit from the garden, the choicest lamb of the flock, the tenth of all the increase, as a token that they and all their belonged alike to God, Giver and Owner of all. The tithes, the free-will offering, the gift at feast day and fast day were only so many reminders of funds held in trust.

At the last Biennial Convention (General Synod) held at Canton, Ohio, June 7-11, 1919, the treasurer reported the total contribution of over one million and a half for the forty years. The work has grown and so many requests for support, our United Women's Missionar Society asks for five hundred thousand for the next Biennium. It is not too much for the need is great.

Mission Study

The General Secretary, Mrs. C. P. Wiles, reported a splendid response in Mission Study Classes. A call for recruits was the closing message for the young people. The great pressing need in the young people's department is consecrated young women who are willing to give their time to the Junior work. Women who are apt to teach, and who love children.

Plan Suggested

We are urged to increase the circulation of Lutheran Women's Work at the advanced price of seventy-five cents. The magazine indeed seems to be better each issue, and we should feel proud to offer it to those who do not subscribe. The Home Department was again emphasized, telling of the great help it is to the congregation and pastors. The Missionary Cradle Roll, the India Lace Industry. Each congregation society is asked to appoint a chairman for these departments. Junior Societies and Sunday Schools are asked to contribute thread, Clark's O. N. T., numbers 60 to 100, and money for needles, or crochet needles, numbers 6 to 14.

We ask that careful consideration be given the subject of Life Membership, by our women. The influence may be life long upon a little child, who knows it was made a life member of the Missionary Society by one who loved it in early youth.

Recommendations in the Executive Secretary's report were adopted and were as follows:

- 1. That the Executive Board be authorized to plan the regular work for the Biennium in accordance with the budget—estimate given in its report to the Convention.
- 2. That the General Specials for the Bienniums be Building Funds, for a Girls' Boarding School in Japan Mission, for District Boarding School in the India Mission, for the completion of the building for the Girls' Boarding School and the Hospital, in the African Mission, and for Church Extension in America.
- 3. That earnest and constant endeavor be put forth to extend organizations, also to increase membership of existing congregational societies. Watchword "A Women's Missionary Society in every Congregation of the U. L. C."
- 4. That the officers of Synodical and Conference Societies maintain a careful oversight of their respective districts, thus to promote loyalty and co-operation in fulfilling their obligations to the General Society.
- 5. That the society's periodicals "Lutheran Woman's Work," and "Lutheran Boys and Girls" be read attentively, thus to become informed as to the society's activity, and that like attention be given the Church periodicals, in order to become informed in reference to the activities of the United Lutheran Church; also that more intensive and diligent use be made of the publications of the Literature Committee.

6. That increased effort be made to establish Departmental Work by those appointed to assist the Department Secretaries in presenting the interest of their respective departments,

- 7. The general observance of the first week of Lent, as a week of prayer and self-denial for missions. Mrs. C. F. Hay presented the necessity of having a Historian for the Women's Missionary Society inasmuch as the records and reports of the former General Synod Society were intact.
- 8. That the concluding clauses of Article XII, By-Laws of the Constitution of the General Society, be amended to read: "One delegate for every 400 members and major fractions thereof, in each Synodical Society. Each Synodical Society shall be entitled to at least two delegates."

My dear sisters, do we hear the repeated calls for help? Are we doing all we can to relieve the need? Perhaps we have some carnal pleasure, some cherished indulgence. Can we give them up and let the Lord use the money it costs? When Christians thus pray and give, then will the Lord's Treasury overflow, sowers and reapers multiply, the desert made to bloom, parched ground become a pool and the thirsty land springs of water. If we want success in our efforts we must have that wisdom that cometh down from above. This may cost us something in the way of surrendering ourselves to God's will. We all want that power that will make our service effectual. Whatever is to be changed or charged must be surrendered to power. If a wire is to be transformed from a dead wire into a live wire it must come in contact with the electrical power. It cannot be alive and dead at the same time, so it surrenders itself and becomes mighty to move the wheels of all industries. So we must yield ourselves to the great powerhouse of God, who can equip us with the power and wisdom that will fit us to be helpers in the great scheme of salvation for all men. Today is the day of women's opportunity, a wide door of service is opened to us, and what we need is dominating power enduing us with strength. The message "Go quickly, tell," first entrusted to women by the empty sepulcher, has never been repealed, and as the Marys ran with their message Jesus Himself met them and from His own lips the mighty trust was repeated with tender assurance "Be not afraid, go tell." I cannot refrain from telling how this message "Go Tell' and the power with which she was endued came to one of our faithful missionaries as was told by one of her friends:

When Dr. Baer came home on her first furlough she spent commencement time at Wittenberg College with the men and the women she had gone to school with. They always had been proud of her, the girls particularly. She had been the first woman to lead her class at old Wittenberg. They gathered around and asked her all manner of questions about her work. What did she do? How did she do it? Did she really think she was a missionary teaching the Gospel, or was she just a doctor? Then one woman, voicing perhaps the thought of others, asked as she thought of Dr. Baer's talents, and health, and the opportunities that had opened in America for her, "Has it been worth while, Mary?" Those of us who saw her are not likely to forget the look in her eyes, the set of her mouth, or the firmness of her voice as she answered: "Worth while, why girls, if I just wanted to pick out the place in the world where the professional opportunities are greatest, I'd go to India. I believe if one practiced just for the money, the wives of the wealthy India princes might be the biggest field in the world. And when you think of the poor, the child wives, the babies, the women who suffer and there is no physician, there is no telling what one's life is worth in India. This is so big a thought it is overwhelming. Add to it the doctor's chance to tell of the healer of souls and there is no life like it."

This she said on her first furlough. The years went by and she came home again and stood one October night speaking at a Woman's Convention in an Ohio City. She was on her way to New York to sail for India the third time. She had told of Guntur Hospital, of the children she loved, of the Bible woman who stood in the dispensary telling Bible stories day after day, of the 'prayer services on the hospital veranda and she

added: "I'm on my way back to it all." Then a shadow came over her strong, expressive face. "Do you think it the easiest thing in the world for me to go back? Last Sunday I stood in my old home town, I walked to church with my young nephews and nieces and as I watched their faces and listened to their talk I thought, 'How can I go back to India and leave them? How can I let all this young life grow up and I never be in touch with it?' I looked back down the street and saw my old father and mother driving slowly to church behind the old white horse and my heart strings tightened. They were past seventy, I thought. If I leave now I'll never see them again on this side of the golden gates. How can I go and leave them? It is harder to leave the old than the young. I went into church, and my eyes wandered to my brother's pew, to the stalwart men in their prime. Who knew what ten years would bring. This was myt family, how can I go? How can I go? And as I thought of it all, there came to my mind the old story of the Scotch shepherd and his collie dog. A quick, blinding snow storm caught him and his flock and he only had a young dog with him. He drove them in, counted and three were missing. He looked down into a warm corner where lay his prize dog, a mother collie asleep with her young. Opening the door he pointed out into the storm and said, "Go, find." The time dragged by and the dog scratched at the door-one sheep found. The shepherd patted her and again pointed out into the snow. And her sheep she brought in after much searching. Worn, cold, she turned to the fire, but the shepherd with grief in his heart once more turned her to the swirling tempest with loving encouragement. As he waited and tended the half frozen sheep he listened if he could hear the call of the dog. Finally she dragged herself in and she had the third sheep. But she was worn out. Ere dawn came the faithful dog was dead, but the sheep, the sheep were all safe. And I thought to myself of the lost sheep of India, out in the awful blackness and storm of ignorance, superstition and heathenism. And I, I am but one of the Lord's collies. What does it matter what happens to me if the sheep are saved? I must go back to India. I must go back to India. No one of us who heard her, and saw the womanly figure in its simple black gown, is likely to think of the work of a foreign missionary as an easy, irresponsible life, even in these days when we have been able to take away a few of the dangers and add to the comforts of it a little.

When we catch such a vision of a world steeped in sin, we will count it as nothing to give our all to god who owns us. Many trophies have been won for God, but how many more there remains to be done. Let us, like Peter, have a world wide vision of the needs, and then put ourselves in line for the heartiest co-operation with all God's people to bring about the knowledge of the Christ of Galilee. God forbid that we should be compelled to take up the lamentations in the following:

"Yield thy poor best, and ask not how or why,

Lest one day seeing all about thee spread a mighty crowd and marvelously fed,

Thy heart break out into a bitter cry, I might have furnished, I yea, even I, the two small fishes and the barley bread."

And now, my dear friends, the office you entrusted to me, I return to you. I am proud of the honor you bestowed upon me. It has been a great

privilege to serve you during these trying times in the history of our United States, and the beginnings in the United Lutheran Church. I shall always look back with pleasure to the time I was president of this Synodical Society. I am proud of you women, how you held together under the strain and trying time through which we passed. You have responded nobly and generously to appeals of time, money and talents. I need not ask for my successor's support, as you have already given it. May our Heavenly Father abundantly bless you all, that you may be a blessing to others.

Respectfully submitted,
ANNETTE BRICKER.

Greetings from Synod—Rev. H. A. Anspach.

Greetings from Pastor Loci-Dr. H. W. Blancke.

Appointment of Committees:.

Auditing: Mrs. T. W. Wright, Mrs. M. G. Koser.

Correspondence and Addresses: Mrs. O. O. Roe, Mrs. L. E. Blessing, Mrs. W. G. Handsacker.

Resolutions: Mrs. Geo. Hess, Mrs. Henry Ingertson, Mrs. W. Wooley.

Nominating: Mrs. J. W. Rihman, Mrs. Ida Eakle, Mrs. A. Butler, Mrs. L. H. Butt, Miss Huldah Bright, Miss Blanche Hilburn, Mrs. Lee Koser, Mrs. H. Elliott, Mrs. C. C. Larson, Mrs. Wendt, Mrs. Best.

Collectors: Blanche Hilburn, Florence Mathison, Elnora Wehrman, Elizabeth Schnothart.

Collection: \$3.48.

Ouiet Twilight Hour: Mrs. O. O. Roe.

Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.

The Lord's Supper with members of Synod. Rall Call and Minutes.

Reports: Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE SYNOD OF IOWA, OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

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MRS, M. H. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, AUGUST 1, 1919, TO AUGUST 1, 1920 SYNODICAL TREASURY

RECEIPTS 1919 Oct. 14-16 Convention Offerings.....\$26.62 Oct. 16 From societies for mission work in Iowa in lieu of Box Work 81.50 Synodical fees from 13 societies 23.80 Total receipts \$131.92 By balance August 1, 1919..... 23.81 Total in treasury August 1, 1919, Aug. 1, 1920..... 155.73 DISBURSEMENTS Sept. 11 and 26 Record books for treasurer\$ 4.05 Oct. 16 To convention expenses (programs, R. R. fares, Oct. 16 To Miss Welty, convention speaker..... 10 Dec. 27 By cash to Dormitory Fund..... 5 June I To expense of executive committee meeting......29.42 Total disbursements 72.11 To balance Aug. I, 1920..... . 83.02 CARTHAGE COLLEGE DORMITORY FUND 1010 August 1 To Balance\$20 . Dec. 27 To cash from Con. Fund 5 \$25 Aug. 1, 1920 To Balance 25 MRS. W. H. TAYLOR,

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Synodical Treasurer.

Report of Auditing Committee

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the Treasurer's books and found them correct.

MRS. T. H. WRIGHT,
MRS. M. G. Koser,
Committee.

Motion by Mrs. O. O. Roe "That Treasurer's report be accepted and placed on file," seconded.

Motion by Mrs. A. B. Leamer, "that we express to Mrs. M. H. Taylor our appreciation for her excellent service as treasurer and our heartfelt sympathy in this time of illness in the home," seconded.

Statistical report.

REPORT OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY-1919-1920

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| | Frances Johansen. Miss Claudena Peterson Miss Mildred Houx Miss Samp Cath Margaret Leamer. Miss Lee Koser. Miss Ruth Martin Miss | Florence Johansen Irene Hansen Ethel Feers Sylvia Heidt Minnie Sorenson | Chas Freitag E. A. Srraker A. Ketelsen J. W. Rehman Ziegler H. E. Wisecarver. Geo. D. Koser. T. F. Weiskotten. Laura Smith W. M. Kirkwood. Elizabeth Pfaff J. M. Herbst | PRESIDENT |
| Grand Total. | Frances Johansen. Miss Frances Reppert, 420 S. Leebrick St. Claudena Peterson Miss Esther Holmgren, 1230 C. Ave. E. Mildred Houx. Miss Dorothy Cline. Samp Catherine Allen Margaret Leemer. Miss Dorothy Bauserman Lee Koser. Miss Margaret Hanson | Miss Marie Johansen, 671 Higbee Ave Miss Alvina Lorensen, 508 Hickory St Miss Alice Brodene Miss Alydia Larson, 1352 13th St Miss Lydia Page | Miss Nettie Nielsen, 806 So. 9th St | STATISTICAL SECRETARY |
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MRS. H. G. VOLLMER, Statistical Secretary. Motion made and carried that Statistical reports be accepted.

Motion made that Executive Committee should decide when reports should be sent to synodical secretary. The Executive Committee recommended that all reports should be in the hands of Statistical Secretary by January 20th and July 20th. The Statistical Secretary also recommends that monthly meetings be held first or second week in month.

Thank Offering report.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:-

You will readily see that the Thank Offering as I report it is incomplete, but it is as it has been reported to me, your Thank Offering Secretary.

Blanks were sent early to every society and in some cases two or three times, and my report to Miss Lilly had to be sent in showing an offering of less than \$400.00, because so many reports were late in being sent to me. Now this is a very bad showing for Iowa in the General T. O. Secretary's office. I mailed the second report to her about ten days after it was requested, so that she at least might get the late ones.

Let me beg of you to send your reports before the 25th of the month—they should be at the Secretary's desk on that day or earlier, or she can not report on time, and Iowa's report goes in to General headquarters incomplete.

Please take this message home to your officers and let us make prompt

reports this year.

I regret very much that I cannot be with you at the Convention. My, thoughts and prayers will be, and I hope for you a season of helpfulness and a renewing of missionary spirit such as Iowa has never before felt.

Very sincerely yours,
MRS. M. L. TESDALL.

Thank Offering Report for 1919-1920

| BurlingtonW. | \$50.25 | |
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| Burlington | | No Report |
| Cedar RapidsW. | 38.25 | |
| Cedar RapidsY. L. | | No Report |
| Cedar Rapids M. B. | 2.25 | |
| ClintonW. | 16.93 | |
| DubuqueW. | 26.67 | |
| Davenport | | No Report |
| FairfieldW. | 40.00 | |
| FernaldW. | | No Report |
| Des MoinesW. | 54.00 | |
| Des MoinesY. L. | 15.00 | |
| Des Moines | 9.25 | |
| Des Moines | 10.00 | |
| Des Moines | | No Report |
| Iowa CityW. | 32.40 | |
| Iowa City | | No Report |

| Muscatine | 7.75 | No Report |
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| NewtonW. | 25.08 | |
| NevadaW. | 66.00 | |
| NevadaY. L. | 8.00 | |
| Nevada | 3.00 | |
| TiptonW. | 31.00 | |
| Webster City | 14.30 | |
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| Total | \$450.13 | |

Respectfully submitted, MRS. M. L. TESDALL.

Motion by Mrs. Geo. Koser "That thank offering report be accepted," seconded.

Efficiency chart and round table. Conducted by Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines.

Collection \$3.00. Benediction.

Wednesday, 2:00 p. m.

"Devotional Service", Personal responsibility, Mrs. S. Lesher.

Motion made and carried that roll call be dispensed with.

Minutes read and approved.

"The Chicago Convention," Miss Annette Bricker.

"Progressive Workers' Conference," conducted by Mrs. L. E. Blessing.

Re-assemble.

"Telling the Story to the Juniors," Miss Florence Page, Nevada. "Quiet Twilight Hour," Mrs. O. O. Roe.

Collection \$2.57.

Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.

"Vesper Service," conducted by Dr. W. H. Blancke. Scripture Lesson and Prayer, Rev. Paul J. Gerberding,

Hymn 342. Announcements.

Solo, "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings," Mrs. L. J. Myser. Reading, "A Thousand Miles With a Message," Miss Noveline Morris, Newton.

Solo, "There Were Ninety and Nine," Mrs. J. R. Burr, Newton.

"Echoes" from Washington Convention—Rev. C. R. Scherck. D.D., Rev. J. M. Herbst, Rev. W. H. Blancke, D.D., Mr. Lee Koser.

"Box Work," by S. M. Lesher, Burlington.

Recommendation, "The Executive Committee recommends that since we received no call for Box Work we place the amount in the hands of the "Missions Committee" to be applied upon the salary of some missionary pastor within our own Synod, this fund to be designated as "Iowa Special."

Motion by Mrs. Hetzel "that recommendation be accepted."

Seconded. Unanimous.

Offerings from societies, \$120.00.

Plate Collection, \$15.90.

Benediction, Rev. C. J. Ringer.

Thursday, 9:00 a. m.

Devotions: "Family Prayer," led by Miss Annette Bricker.

Roll Call and Minutes.

The Executive Committee appointed the following committee to recommend By-Laws to our Constitution: Mrs. Adelaide Burge, Mrs. M. L. Taylor!

A motion by Mrs. O. O. Roe that "By-Laws be adopted article by article," carried.

By-Laws Proposed for the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa

Article I. Duties of Officers

Section I. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Annual Convention and make all appointments not otherwise provided for. Between Annual Conventions she may call meetings of the Executive Committee if in her judgment, the interests of the work demand such meeting.

Section 2. The Vice Presidents in order, shall perform all duties of the office in the absence of the President, and shall co-operate with the President in furthering the general work.

Section 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all the meetings and prepare the same for publication, and shall give notice of the convention in the church papers two months in advance of said convention.

Section 4. The Statistical Secretary shall collect all statistics of the Congregational Societies and report same to the society at its annual Convention.

Section 5. (a) The Treasurer shall receive and acknowledge all funds and forward same to the General Treasurer, and shall present a written repot of the receipts and disbursements to the society at its annual Convention.

(b) The Treasurer shall receive only such moneys as are de-

signated for the objects under the control of the General Society.

Section 6. The elected officers of the Synodical Society shall compose the Executive Committee, and it shall be the duty of this committee to care for the interests of the work between the annual Conventions, the meetings of the Executive Committee to be subject to the discretion and call of the President.

Article II. Time of Annual Convention

The annual Convention shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the preceding convention of the society, or may be determined by the Executive Committee.

Article III. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall close July 31st. Quarters shall close with October 20th, January 20th, April 20th and July 20th.

Article IV. Dues

The dues from each Congregational Society shall be 10 cents or more per month per member.

Article V. Department Secretaries.

Secretaries shall be appointed by the President to organize and develop various departments of work, and each shall report at annual Conventions.

The Secretary of Literature shall have charge of the display of literature at the Convention, take orders, have charge of the sales and report at the close of the Convention.

Article VI. Nominating Committee

A Nominating Committee composed of seven members, appointed by the President, shall name two persons for each elective office, and election shall be by ballot.

Article VII. Efflpense of Delegates to General Convention

Congregation Societies shall be assessed five cents per member per year to meet the expenses of Synodical Delegates to General Convention, said fund being known as the Travel Fund.

Article VIII. Amendments.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a unanimous vote of the annual Convention, or by a two-thirds vote if two months' notice has been given through the church papers.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. ADELAIDE L. BURGE, MRS. M. H. TAYLOR. The Executive Committee also appointed a committee to draw up an amendment to Articles of Incorporation: Mrs. W. H. Bailey, Iowa City; Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Iowa City.

Motion made by Mrs. A. B. Leamer, "that amendment to Articles of Incorporation be accepted and placed on file at Court House in Des Moines," carried.

A verbal report was made by Young People, Home Department and Box Work secretaries.

Carthage College Dormitory report.

Motion made by Mrs. S. M. Lesher, "that funds in treasurer's hands be used toward refurnishing Iowa room in Boys' Dormitory," carried.

Rev. E. Walter, of Tabitha Home, was presented at this time. Memorial services.

Tributes were paid to Mrs. W. H. Bailey, Miss Hannah Ringheim, Mrs. Emma Christ, Mrs. Jacob Oleson, Mrs. Emma Spencer, Mrs. William Thomas.

Inasmuch as Newton was the home of the much beloved Celia Lyday, who had served as Synodical President for four years and who was called to her Heavenly home several years ago, a tribute was paid by singing her favorite song, "O, that will be Glory." Also a beautiful bouquet of flowers was placed on the altar by the Convention.

A resolution presented by Mrs. M. H. Taylor, "that Mrs. Alien Owen be made an 'In Memoriam' member." Motion made and carried that same be adopted.

Closing hymn, "My Jesus as Thou Wilt."

Closing prayer, Mrs. Lyday.

Thursday, 1:30 p. m.

Text Book. The Bible and Missions, Mrs. W. E. Hetzel. America.

In observance of Armistice Day silent prayer, then repeated our benediction Ps. 67:1, 2.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of committee on addresses and letters.

Committee on correspondence and addresses wish to express their appreciation for the splendid report of the year's work and the late general convention in Chicago by our president, Miss Annette Bricker. We are glad to note the General Bi-ennial Convention. Also two delegates or more from each Synodical Society. A loving letter from Mrs. Taylor, our absent treasurer, was read and much appreciated.

MRS. O. O. ROE, MRS. L. E. BLESSING, MRS. H. G. HANDSACKER.

Rev. E. Walters gave talk on Tabitha Home.

Report of Committee on Resolutions:

- 1. Resolved: That we hereby extend our thanks to the pastor and members of the Lutheran Church of Newton for the gracious hospitality extended to this Convention.
- 2. Resolved: That we hereby extend our thanks to the pastor and members of the Presbyterian Church of Newton, for the gracious hospitality extended to the Convention in the use of their church.
- 3. Resolved: That we express our appreciation for the work of the program committee for the helpful and interesting papers read, the special music rendered; to Miss Noveline Morris for the excellent reading; to Miss Florence Page for her story to the Juniors.
- 4. Resolved: That we express our gratitude to the different pastors and laymen for the Echoes from the Washington Convention, and to our President for the helpful service rendered during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. GEO, HESS,
MRS. HENRY INGERTSON,
MRS. W. WOOLEY.

Report of Nominating Committee:

President—Mrs. A. B. Leamer. First Vice President—Mrs. L. E. Blessing. Second Vice President—Mrs. W. H. Blancke. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Bobo. Statistical Secretary—Mrs. H. G. Vollmer. Treasurer—Mrs. M. H. Taylor. Historian—Mrs. C. Slonaker.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot. The Secretary reported the ballot cast.

Motion by Mrs. A. B. Leamer "that we substitute the new Synodical Constitution as a whole in place of the Model Constitution adopted last year," carried unanimously.

Motion was made and carried "that elections in congregational societies be held in June."

Installation of Officers: By Miss Annette Bricker.

Text-Book Review—Church and Community: Mrs. Hetzel.

Collection: \$4.25.

All business being transacted the President declared the Forty-sixth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Iowa Synod closed.

Prayer by Mrs. Hetzel.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JENNIE BOBO,
Secretary Pro Tem.

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE FEDERATION OF

United Lutheran Brotherhoods in America

The convention opened Monday evening, November 8, 1920, in the First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Newton, Iowa, with a banquet served by the ladies of the church. This banquet was followed by an excellent program of toasts and music, special mention should be made of the address of Harry B. Gearhart, Field Secretary of the Lutheran Brotherhood, Chicago, Ill., who outlined the need of a definite program for brotherhood work and explained the program which had been prepared by the United Lutheran Brotherhood.

Tuesday morning the session was opened with devotional services conducted by Mr. Fred Reeve, president of the local brother-hood. The service was very interesting and inspirational.

The business session was then called to order. During the absence of the secretary, H. A. Mohl, of Davenport, Mr. Alven Bremer, of Cedar Rapids, was appointed secretary pro tem.

The following ministers and delegates responded to the roll call:

| The following min | isters and delegates res | sponded to the ron |
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| CITY | DELEGATE | MINISTER |
| Burlington | | S. M. Lesher |
| Cedar Rapids | Alven L. Bremer | |
| Clinton | B. L. Nickelsen | J. S. Leamer |
| Council Bluffs | | C. J. Ringer |
| Davenport | A. M. Butler | |
| Des Moines | E. Hetzel | A. B. Leamer |
| Douds | I. L. Nedrow | |
| Dubuque | | H. A. Anspach |
| Fairfield | Gust C. Schillerstrom | J. G. Gent |
| Fort Madison | D. A. Gaston | |
| Nevada | U. S. Alderman | |
| Newton | D. E. Mayne | Doctor Blancke |
| Sioux City | C. F. Manhold | |
| Waterloo | C. D. Allan | |
| Princeton | Chris Schumacher | M. A. Getzendaner |
| Muscatine | L. Angersbach | T. F. Weiskotten |
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VISITORS

Chicago, Ill.—Harry B. Gerhardt, Acting Secretary of Brotherhood of United Lutheran Church.

Fernald-H. G. Handsacker.

Des Moines—H. O. Hjetland.

Cedar Rapids-B. O. Tapper.

Davenport—Elliot Oakes.

Newton-Chas. Chriswell, Fred Reeves, H. A. Wehrman, Chester Slonaker, E. J. Newquist, O. G. Olsen.

Next in order was the president's report. In his report President Allan emphasized the need of a definite program, and a definite aim to stimulate the activity and usefulness of the Brotherhood. Lack of these incentives in the past was felt to be the reason for the lack of interest manifested along the Brotherhood lines and almost wholly responsible for the dearth of accomplishments of both individual and federated brotherhoods. He expressed the hope that this convention would settle on some definite aim or program which would promote interest in the Brotherhood work and which would result in much good being accomplished by these Brotherhoods. This report was ordered received and placed on file.

At this time the president called on the delegates for a brief recital of some of their problems and experiences, in the hope that this interchange might prove helpful in the solving of similar problems in the future.

Dr. Blancke, on behalf of the Arrangement Committee, called attention to the seeming lack of co-operation on the part of the pastors and brotherhoods in the matter of furnishing this committee with names and addresses requested by them in order that they might the better advertise this convention, the idea being to get into personal touch with more of the men to interest them in attending the Brotherhood Convention. The sole purpose of this discussion was to urge upon all concerned the importance of giving all communications prompt and proper attention to the end that whatever the subject matter, it could be handled to the best advantage.

Following up the recommendation contained in the president's report with reference to the future of the Brotherhood work, it was regularly moved and seconded that the president appoint a committee of three to draft a set of resolutions embodying the recommendation of this committee as to future programs and also

any other recommendations, which might, with propriety, be brought to this convention, this committee to report at the afternoon session. Motion was carried and president appointed: D. E. Mayne, H. O. Hjetland, and Rev. J. M. Herbst, with Mr. Gerhardt as advisory member, and C. D. Allan ex-officio.

Treasurer H. O. Hjetland reported balance on hand October 13, 1919, \$13.71. No receipts during the year. Bills paid \$5.00, leaving a balance on hand November 9, 1920, \$8.71. Treasurer's report was accepted and placed on file.

Secretary's report: Minutes read, ordered adopted as read, and placed on file.

Election of officers resulted in the following being elected to their respective offices for the ensuing year:

President-D. E. Mayne, Newton.

Vice President—H. O. Hjetland, Des Moines.

Secretary—A. M. Butler, Davenport.

Treasurer—D. A. Gaston, Fort Madison.

Corresponding Secretary—Fred Reeve, Newton.

'Adjourn for noon recess.

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:30 p. m. by the newly-elected president, Mr. D. E. Mayne. Devotional services were conducted by Mr. Gerhardt. In Mr. Gerhardt's talk he gave us three ideas which we would all do well to treasure and meditate upon. Briefly stated they are: 1st Love your work. 2nd Be content in your work. 3rd Determine to succeed.

The president at this time called upon Rev. A. B. Leamer, of Des Moines, to give us a report on the meeting of the Lutheran Brotherhood of America, which was held in Des Moines October 28th, 1920. He gave us a brief outline of the aims and purposes of this organization and told of some of the things which had been accomplished.

The special committee on program announced that it was now ready to report. Their report had been drawn up in the form of a set of resolutions which they were directed to read. It was moved and seconded that the resolutions be adopted seriatim. Motion carried and resolutions were adopted one by one as read. Resolutions as adopted are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Be it resolved that we adopt the Educational work of the United Lutheran Church and accept the program of the United Brotherhood.
- 2. Resolved that By-Law No. 6 be changed to read 25c per member, per month, of which 10c per month goes to the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church, 10c to the individual Brotherhood and 5c to the Federation.
- 3. That we recommend, in harmony with Article 7 of our regular Constitution, the adoption of the Constitution of the U. L. B. as passed upon by the Washington Convention.
- 4. Whereas the 5c per member allotted for our Federation is more than sufficient to cover our expenses, be it resolved that a fund be created from the surplus to educate any worthy young man from our Synod who wishes to enter the ministry.
- 5. Whereas, as a great many good objects are being carried out by the several Brotherhoods we wish to commend them in their work and urge them to continue same and further as a definite object for the coming year we urge the adoption of a plan to take up the problem of the young man in the church and Sunday School. Fach congregation to work out its own problem for the coming year and report progress at our next convention.
- 6. Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be typewritten and mailed to each congregation at once. The committee to be continued
- 7. That we co-operate in the distribution of the Lutheran World Almanac to be placed in the families of our Synod.
- 8. Whereas, the First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Newton, Dr. Blancke, pastor, has so royally entertained us, the Fifth Annual Convention of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the Synod of Iowa; therefore, be it resolved that we hereby extend a rising vote of thanks to the pastor and congregation.

Because of the fact that the resolutions adopted contemplate the adoption of a new constitution, which under our present constitution must lie on the table until our next annual meeting in order to make our dues conform to the dues set forth in the new constitution, it was regularly moved and seconded that we rewrite Section 6 of our present by-laws to read: "Dues shall be 25c per member per month, of which 10c per month goes to the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church and 5c per month to the federation." Motion carried.

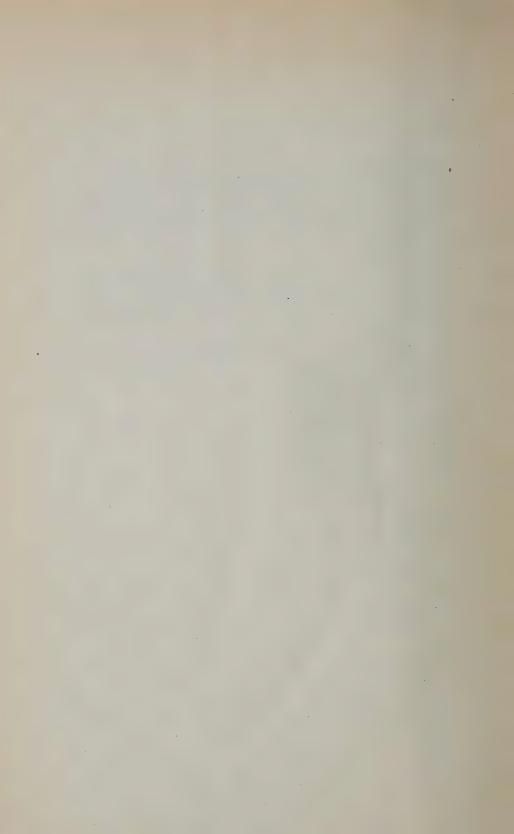
In the absence of the speakers to whom had been assigned the topics for afternoon discussion, these topics were thrown into the Round Table discussion. The principal topic of interest was the question "What Should Be Our Attitude Toward the Sunday Picture Shows and Other Sabbath Desecrating Amusements."

After considerable discussion the following resolution was presented and adopted with instructions that it be spread upon the minutes of this convention and given to the newspapers: Resolved: "That we, Federated Brotherhoods of the Synod of Iowa, do hereby express our disapproval and opposition to all Sabbath Desecrating Amusements and all employments that have for their object the commercializing of the Lord's Day, known as Sunday."

In closing the convention President Mayne made an earnest plea for the whole-hearted co-operation and support of the pastors and Brotherhoods in the promotion of the work during the ensuing year. Convention was dismissed with prayer by Dr. Blancke.

Respectfully submitted.

A. M. BUTLER, Secretary.



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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF IOWA

HELD AT DAVENPORT, IOWA, OCTOBER 4th, 1921

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa met in its sixty-seventh annual convention in the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa, Rev. J. A. Miller, pastor, on October 4th, 1921, 7:45 p. m. The Liturgical service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Miller of Davenport, Iowa. Rev. J. S. Leamer, President of the Synod, delivered the Synodical Sermon.

Wednesday Morning, October 5th, 1921, 9:00 a.m.

The Liturgical and Service of Confession and Absolution was conducted by Rev. J. S. Leamer. The Communion Sermon was preached by W. D. Ziegler, using for his text Matt. 26: 26-35. Holy Communion service was conducted by the President, Secretary, assisted by W. D. Ziegler and C. J. Ringer.

The Women's Missionary Society Convention united in the services with the members of the Synod.

FIRST SESSION

Wednesday, October 5th, 1921, 10:45 a.m.

The first business session was opened in the regular form by the President of the Synod.

Hymn 77 was sung.

Roll Call of ministers and lay delegates.

SYNODICAL ROLL

| Clerical | Entered Ministry | Entered | Address | Lay Delegate Address |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------|---|
| J. A. Kissel (ae) | 1874 | 1911 | Tipton | Retired |
| J. A. Lowe, Ph. D. (a) | 1876 | 1916 | Weldon | Retired |
| Holmes Dysinger, D. D. | 1881 | 1905 | Fremont | Dean Western Theo. Sem. |
| W. H. Blancke, D. D | 1884 | 1894 | Newton | Ed. Newquist, Newton |
| W. K. Hill, Sc. D. (ae) | 1885 | 1885 | Carthage | Dean Carthage College |
| C. J. Ringer | 1894 | 1907 | Council Bluffs | F. L. R. Hansen |
| J. S. Leamer, D. D | | | | |
| C. R. Sherck, D. D | 1904 | 1007 | Lowe City | Prof O A Schlanbug |
| S. M. Lesher | 1004 | 1016 | Burlington | Nicholas Hanson |
| A. B. Leamer, D. D | 1004 | 1000 | Dog Moines | Mr E Hetzel |
| H. B. Shank | 1000 | 1000 | Farndala | J C Hillberg |
| T. F. Weiskotten | 1000 | 1010 | Muccetine | Wm Boldt |
| J. M. Herbst | 1001 | 1016 | Wohster City | J. F. McDonald |
| Frank Heilman, D. D | 1001 | 1001 | Siony City | |
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| W. A. Wolgenmuth (a) | 1902 | 1910 | Orford | II. A. MOIII |
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| J. O. Simon | 1904 | 1916 | Cedar Rapids | J. L. Berger |
| W. D. Ziegler | 1904 | 1920 | Dubuque | J. A. Bennke |
| G. N. Mendelhall | 1908 | 1919 | North Liberty | Melven Piener |
| Fred Ross Schirck | 1906 | 1921 | Ottumwa | W. W. Toole Prof. at Wittenberg College |
| P. H. Heisey | 1910 | 1910 | Springheld, U | Prof. at Wittenberg College |
| F. H. Saemann | 1910 | 1921 | lowa Fails | |
| C. A. Sundberg | 1911 | 1911 | Springfield, O | Field Secy. of Wittenberg Col. J. E. Miller |
| P. A. Buelow | 1912 | 1920 | Tipton | J. E. Miller |
| M. A. Getzendaner | 1917 | 1917 | Princeton | William Hebley |
| J. J. Gent | 1918 | 1918 | Fort Madison | G. A. Gaston |
| L. C. Urland | 1916 | 1918 | George | Retired |
| L. Lesher | | | | |
| Paul Clouser | 1921 | 1921 | Valley Junction | |
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President's report was read.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Brethren of the Synod:

We have come to the close of another Synodical year and are gathered here in convention to hear reports and to transact the business of the Synod. The Church is passing through a crisis, never has the orthodoxy of men been tried as it is today. Everywhere men are going astray after fads and isms and higher criticism. The world seems to be in a maze of doubt and denial. Money, power, pleasure, with selfishness is the curse of many. The world has a low conception of God and a very imperfect idea of what a Christian ought to be. The only thing for us to do is to stick to the pure Gospel and preach the love of Jesus Christ.

I herewith submit for your consideration a report of my official acts.

Resignations

Rev. H. A. Anspach resigned the Fairfield charge to take effect the 31st of January, 1921.

Rev. Henry Voegtly resigned at Valley Junction effective March the 31st, 1921.

Dismissals

On Nov. 26th, 1920, I dismissed Rev. D. R. Huber, D. D., to the Michigan Synod.

Jan. 1th, 1921, Rev. J. A. McCulloch was given a letter to the Synod of Kansas.

Feb. 1st, 1921, I gave a letter of dismissal to Rev. Henry Voegtly to the Synod of Illinois.

Feb. 10th, 1921, Rev. H. A. Anspach was dismissed to the Rocky Mountain Synod.

Calls Accepted

Rev. F. H. Saemann accepted the Iowa Falls congregation and began work Nov. 1st, 1920.

Rev. Frank Heilman was called to Sioux City and began his labors on Dec. 13th, 1920.

Rev. F. R. Scherck accepted the Ottumwa charge and took up the work on the 5th of December, 1920.

Rev. Leland H. Lesher was called to the Waterloo church and began his work June 1st, 1921.

Rev. Paul R. Clouser accepted a call to the Valley Junction pastorate and began service June 1st, 1921.

Installations

On Nov. 21st, 1920, Rev. H. B. Shank was installed pastor at Fernald, Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D., officiating.

Rev. F. H. Saemann was installed at Iowa Falls, Dec. the 8th, 1920, by the Rev. J. M. Herbst.

On the 9th of January, 1921, Rev. Frank Heilman, D. D., was installed pastor at Sioux City, by the President of Synod and Dr. C. R. Sherck.

License Issued

By the instruction of the Executive Committee, after Mr. Leland H. Lesher, a senior in the theological seminary in our institution at Gettysburg, Pa., had accepted a call to the church at Waterloo, to begin June the 1st, 1921, I issued him an ad-interim license.

Appointment

On November the 18th, 1921, I asked Mr. Lee D. Koser to continue until further instruction to act as our agent in the handling of the business of the sale and collection of the money, of the Emmanuel church property in Des Moines. Also to act as treasurer of the Wendt Fund and the Iowa Mission Endowment Fund. He consented to do this and will make a report at the proper time.

The Executive Committee

This committee had two meetings since the last session of Synod. The first was held at Cedar Rapids on the 8th of February, 1921. The second was held in Davenport on the 4th of October, 1921. The secretary is ready to report the transactions of the committee.

Items From the Churches

Burlington, Trinity. About one year ago the parsonage was damaged by fire. Has been repaired and is better than ever. During the summer the interior of the church has been re-decorated, new carpet was laid and electric lights were installed. The entire cost was \$3000. It is all paid.

Cedar Rapids proudly says, "Interior of our church decorated from ceiling to cellar, cost \$2665. Paid for in full."

Clinton rises up and tells us that they made a "Clean Sweep of that old debt" last Easter, and are talking of a "Greater St. Paul's."

Council Bluffs after years of struggle and hardship is going to walk alone after the first of October. They have repaired their parsonage, decorated the interior of their church, made some exterior improvements, added a new altar and altar chairs to their furnishings, all at an approximate cost of \$3000. This has practically all been paid. We congratulate pastor and people.

Davenport says, "You are here, see for yourself."

Des Moines about one year ago bought a parsonage at a cost of \$12,500.00. During the summer they purchased a choice location for their new church at a cost of \$36,000.00. We need an outstanding church building in the Capitol City.

Dubuque has nothing "Startling to report" but they have provided a garage for the pastor's "Universal." Others take note. The pastor is busy and hard work always brings results.

Fort Madison reports that "We banished the pie business at the beginning of the year, put our church on the budget plan and it has been a howling success." A live men's organization. Some improvements on the church property and will reduce the appropriation from the Home Board. Supports a protegee in India.

Fairfield is still looking for a pastor. They need a church builder to erect that new church that they must have to give them the prestige they deserve.

Nevada. The Memorial is fair, fat and forty and they celebrated from June the 5th to the 12th. Had a lot of good things to eat as well as a feast of good things for the mind. It was a time of inspiration and encouragement. They are in a position now to do much for others as well as for themselves.

Newton makes progress. Their men are wide awake. They have a real prayer meeting. Support a candidate for the ministry. They have some tithers and this makes for power. Their evening service is most as well attended as the morning.

Oxford Junction has made over the old parsonage, it is up-to-date and comfortable. The outlay of money was only \$1900, but the real increase in value was more than \$2500. Much labor donated. The church is now undergoing extensive repairs. It is to have a new basement with exterior and interior improvements.

Webster City was never dead but almost. It is not only living now but very much alive and wide awake. They have modernized their parsonage, they want to make it so pleasant for their present pastor that he will never leave them. They have become self-supporting and are proud of it. We too are proud of them and the work that has been done in the last three years.

Application for Membership

Under the direction of the Missionary Superintendent a very promising mission has been organized in Missouri Valley. This congregation applies for admission into the Synod.

Carthage College

On the 5th of April, the President of Synod was invited with the Presidents of the other Synods on Carthage College territory, to meet

with the Board of Directors of Carthage College to hear the proposition made by the Rockefeller Foundation Committee. This matter will be brought to the attention of Synod by representatives from the College. Carthage must be helped and supported.

Ministerial Relief

We must give our support to the project of raising an Endowment Fund of at least \$2,500,000, in order that old and disabled ministers and their wives may be properly cared for. Too long has the Church permitted those who have given their all for the salvation of the world, to be in want in their declining years.

Delegates to the United Lutheran Synod

It has been suggested by the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church that we, at this Convention of our Synod, elect delegates to the next General Convention.

Articles of Incorporation

Under the direction of the Synod, Articles of Incorporation under the New Constitution have been filed in Des Moines.

In Conclusion

I wish to thank the members of Synod for their consideration, promptness in replying to all correspondence and willingness to help in everything that I have asked. It is a real pleasure to serve when all are willing to help.

May the blessings of a loving Father ever be showered upon us.

Very sincerely,

J. S. LEAMER,

President of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa

The Treasurer made his report.

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's report be referred to the auditing committee.

Mrs. Clark gave an address on the Near East Relief.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

Prayer, J. O. Simon.

SECOND SESSION

Wednesday, October 5th, 1:30 p.m.

Prayer by Rev. Lesher.

Rev. Simon reported for Endowment Fund for Carthage College.

CARTHAGE COLLEGE SPECIAL FUND

Whereas, after a complete survey by a representative of the Rockefeller Foundation Board,—of Carthage College, the grounds, the buildings, faculty and student body, standards and ideals and a favorable report of the same back to this board, an offer was made to the Board of Trustees to our college of \$175,000.00; said amount to be available when all indebtedness is paid, and there be raised on the local territory a like amount. To meet this offer and secure the \$175,000.00 from the Rockefeller Board, our Board of Trustees propose the following plan:

First, That \$125,000.00 be raised by the citizens of Carthage College and Hancock Co., where our College is located, accordingly the board has been assured by representative men of Carthage and Hancock County that a campaign would be inaugurated on the 20th of October, to secure the above amount.

Second, The plan for the raising \$100,000.00 remaining is completely in the hands of the church in this territory. The Board proposes that churches of the four Synods, Illinois, Iowa, Wartburg and the Synod of the Northwest, secure a minimum of \$1.00 from every baptized member. The three (3) synods to which this matter has been presented have taken favorable action and are thoroughly organized to secure these funds.

Therefore, inasmuch as Carthage College has been designated as the educational institution of the United Lutheran Church on the territory of our synod, and in view of the fact that we have received such a splendid offer from the Rockefeller Board, therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Iowa Synod indorse this plan to raise from our churches a minimum of \$1.00 per baptized member.

J. O. SIMON,

Chairman for Iowa Synod.

Dr. Hammon addressed the Synod on this report.

Motion passed that this report be voted upon after the Report of the Carthage College Trustees.

Report of the Historian and Archivist.

Motion passed that this report be accepted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN AND ARCHIVIST

To the Synod of Iowa:

I have had three volumes of the minutes of the Synod for the years 1910 to 1919 bound. One copy for the Historian for his files, one copy for the Secretary and one copy to be filed in the library of Carthage College.

Respectfully submitted.

A. B .LEAMER.

Report of the Executive Committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Executive committee met at Cedar Rapids, February 8, 1921, in the Y. M. C. A. Those present were Rev. J. S. Leamer, Rev. J. A. Miller, C. F. Manhold, Rev. J. O. Simon. Opening prayer by Rev. J. O. Simon. It also met at Davenport, Oct. 4, 1921, at 9:30 a. m., at St. Paul's Church. Rev. J. O. Simon opened with prayer. Those present were Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., Rev. J. O. Simon, Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. M. A. Getzendaner, U. S. Alderman, C. F. Manhold. The president read the duty of the executive committee. Rev. J. O. Simon read the minutes of the last meeting.

- 1. Moved by Rev. J. A. Miller that the Synod meet at Davenport, opening Monday evening, October 3, 1921. Later the time was changed by executive committee to meet Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1921.
- 2. Moved and carried that the Committee meet on Tuesday previous to the opening of Synod and have all reports prepared to be given on floor of Synod.
- 3. Moved and carried that executive committee recommend the establishing of a paid Presidency of Synod who shall also be missionary superintendent. It further recommended that he be elected at the next session of Synod and that the executive committee be empowered to locate and present name of President.
- 4. The executive committee recommended that each church make the financial year agree with the calendar year which simplifies the matter of presenting the report of the income tax and the statistical and parochial reports of the Synod be the same.
- 5. Motion passed that the expenses of the executive committee be paid when meeting in special sessions.
- 6. We recommended that the treasurer of Synod be bonded to the sum of \$5000, that the expense of such bond be paid by Synod that all the money of Synod be deposited in some bank in the name of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and shall be withdrawn from said bank only on checks signed in the name of said Synod by the treasurer.
- 7. We recommend that any work of general nature outside of the local churches on Synodical benevolence that calls for money must first receive the approval of the Synod or of its executive committee.
- 8. Moved that Lee Koser be continued as our agent for the sale of Emmanuel Church of Des Moines and to continue treasurer of the Wendt and Iowa Mission funds.
- 9. Moved and carried that Rev. C. N. Swihart be appointed chairman of the systematic beneficence committee, that he be urged to prepare letters and literature relative to the general subject of beneficiency and these be distributed to the various congregations of Synod, also that he be reappointed for this coming year.
- 10. Moved and carried that all committees of the Synod inform and place into the hands of the executive committee a report of their work of the past year and a budget for their needs for the next year. Same reports to be submitted not later than six o'clock of the evening Synod convenes.
- 11. Moved and carried that Dr. A. B. Leamer be continued as Historian and Archivist.
 - 12. Be it resolved that the following resolution become an amend-

ment to the constitution, and namely, article 9, under section of Ministers:

All ministers who leave the specific work of the ministry to engage in secular pursuits shall deposit his ordination certificate with the president of Synod of which he is a member, to be returned to him with consent of the president of Synod, whensoever he resumes the work of the ministry.

This does not apply to those who are incompacitated by age or ill health.

Total amount needed.....\$20,335.05

We would recommend that the apportionment be established as follows:

Total\$3.9

- 14. Motion that church of Missouri Valley be admitted as a member of this Synod; and recommend to it that a Christian name be given it.
- 15. Motion that Article 12 of the executive committee be presented to Synod at next session for an amendment to the constitution.

Moved that report read, should be passed on item by item.

Article 1 was accepted.

Article 2 was accepted.

Motion passed that Article 3 be referred back to the Executive Committee who shall report at next annual meeting.

Motion passed to accept Article 4.

Moved and passed to accept Article 5.

Article 6 moved and passed.

Article 7 was accepted.

Lee Koser, agent for the sale of the Emmanuel Church of Des Moines, and Treasurer of Wendt and Iowa Missions Endowment Funds, gave his report.

Motion passed that Mr. Koser's report be accepted.

Iowa City, Iowa, Oct. 1, 1921.

To Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., President Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa.

I herewith beg to report on the endowment funds entrusted to my care by your order namely:

Wendt Endowment \$1000.00 Endowment for Iowa Missions 1562.60

| Said funds are made up of following items: Oct. 1, 1920, balance unpaid and due Synod on contract of sale covering Emanuel Property at Des Moines, Iowa, with Christians gathered to the name of the Lord Jesus |
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| Total\$2562.60 |
| |
| Received on Emanuel contract during year |
| Received interest on bank balance for year to Oct. 1, 1921 66.78 |
| Last year's cash balance |
| Total Moneys\$2109.78 |
| Sept. 30, 1921, interest on Wendt Fund paid to Synodical treasurer as per receipt No. 3206 |
| Total Disbursements\$ 127.18 |
| Oct. 1, 1921, balance in bank subject to check on Citizens Savings & Trust Co., Iowa City, Iowa \$1982.60 Oct. 1, 1921, balance Emanuel contract \$1500.00 Received during year on principal 920.00 |
| Oct. 1, 1921, balance of contract unpaid as per R. D. Livingston letter Sept. 6, 1921 |
| From payments made during past year indications are that a deed will be asked for before the coming year expires. |

Personally I am very much interested in developing these two endowment funds and I trust some of our good members may provide additional funds from time to time, which would permit a systematic income for new mission work and the education of men for the ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE D. KOSER,
Trustee by Appointment.

Article No. 8 accepted, Article No. 9 accepted.

Article No. 10 was accepted. Article No. 11 was accepted.

Moved that Article No. 12 be submitted to executive committee to present to Synod as an amendment to the constitution.

Article No. 13 was accepted.

Moved and passed to postpone discussion until Thursday morning.

Dr. Walters addressed the Synod on behalf of Tabitha Home.

Motion passed to adjourn.

Rev. C. Rollin Sherck, D. D., closed the session with prayer.

THIRD SESSION

Thursday, October 6th, 1921, 9:30 a.m.

Rev. P. A. J. Buelow opened session with prayer. Roll Call.

Motion carried that we adopt Article No. 13 of Executive Committee's report.

Motion passed to accept Article No. 14 of Executive Com-

mittee's report.

Motion passed that we adopt the Report of the Executive Committee as a whole.

Inner Mission Committee reported.

Moved and passed that we accept the Report of The Inner Missions.

INNER MISSIONS REPORT

Your Committee on Inner Missions would report that we have made some effort to interest the pastors of our Synod in the work entrusted to our care. A letter was sent out to all the brethren calling special attention to a leaflet enclosed that we believe to set forth method, which studied and practiced, would help greatly to solve many of the most vexing problems of the average pastor. It was our intention to stress during the first year "Congregational Survey" as set forth in the leaflet referred to. This should be followed by a study of a "Community Survey" set forth in a companion leaflet. The third year, we feel, should be spent on the study of "Christian Church Culture and Practice." Your committee would most highly commend for special study and practice these three suggested leaflets in the order named. Many other valuable suggestions are given out by our Board of "Inner Missions."

Our suggestions in the circular letter sent to all the pastors met with very little response. Only three replies showed that our letter had received any reasonable attention.

We would urge upon our pastors and congregations the value of the study of the Inner Mission Problems as being vital to the development of our churches if we desire them to be made a force for the advancement of the Kingdom of our Lord.

We recommended that the Committee on Inner Missions be allowed a sum up to \$25.00 if need be, for the purpose of carrying out the aims of the Inner Mission Board.

That during this year the Congregational Survey be stressed with a view to following this with a Community Survey the following year.

That the Committee be authorized to prepare the necessary blanks to other definite information concerning the matter in hand.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BLANCKEE.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rev. J. S. Leamer elected President of the Synod. Rev. J. J. Gent was elected Secretary of Synod.

Mr. J. A. Behnke was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Synod.

The election of the Executive Board resulted as follows:

Rev. J. O. Simon, Rev. J. A. Miller, U. S. Alderman, C. F. Manhold.

Moved and passed that Rev. C. J. Ringer be elected as Trustee to Tabitha Home.

Moved that we elect the delegates to the United Lutheran Convention.

The delegates to the United Lutheran Convention were elected as follows:

J. S. Leamer, J. O. Simon, J. A. Miller.

Mr. J. L. Berger spoke on behalf of Luther League.

The following alternate delegates to the United Lutheran Convention were elected: Dr. C. N. Swihart, Dr. Holmes Dysinger, Rev. C. J. Ringer.

Dr. Frank Heilman was appointed on the Examining Committee in the place of Prof. P. H. Heisey.

Motion carried to adopt the first recommendation of the Inner Mission Committee report.

Motion carried to adopt the second recommendation of the Inner Mission Committee report.

Moved and passed that the Inner Mission Committee's third recommendation be accepted.

The Ministerial Education Committee made its report.

Moved and passed The Ministerial Education Committee report be accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Your committee begs to report as follows:

We extended financial aid to the following students for the ministry:

Paul Schmidt, Carthage College, \$250; Edward Zuehlke, \$200; Joseph W. Peterson, Midland Seminary, \$250; Bruce Leamer, Carthage College, \$200; Alvan Breamer, Carthage College, \$100; a total of \$1000.00.

We recommend that Paul Schmidt, Bruce Leamer and Joseph Peterson each be allowed the sum of \$200 and that the committee be given discretionary power of extending aid to others who may apply. Respectfully submitted,

C. ROLLIN SHIRCK, Acting Chairman.

Dr. E. G. Miller addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief.

TABITHA HOME

Your trustee attended the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Neb., at the home on May 11. The reports of the superintendent and treasurer were gratifying.

The superintendent reported 94 inmates during the year, 49 in the aged dpartment, 27 men and 22 women; 12 of this number were helpless and in need of constant care. Six died during the year with an average of 82 years, the highest in years was 90 and the lowest 75. Five were received during the year.

The orphan department had 45 children during the year. The children are attending the public school and all have good records; some have received special recognition for good work and conduct; one boy in the high school expects to prepare for the ministry.

The home has 12 to 13 helpers not including the engineer and fireman.

There are always improvements to be made in the way of repair and painting. The expensive improvements this year was the new well and necessary equipment for fire protection leading the water into all parts of the building, at a cost of \$5000.00.

The treasurer's report showed total receipts for the year \$30,680.79. Disbursements \$30,262.24.

The great outstanding need of the home is a separate building for the orphans. We recommend that the synodical apportionment for the support of the Home be 10 cents per member. Also that the Synodical treasurer is hereby instructed to send the money direct to J. F. Kreuger, Treasurer.

We heartily commend Tabitha to our people as an institution of love and mercy, and worthy of support. And ask our congregations to permit the cause of Tabitha to be presented to our churches by its representative.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER.

Moved and passed that this report of the Tabitha Home be accepted.

Rev. P. W. Frederick addressed the Synod on Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle, Washington.

S. M. Lesher reported for the Trustees of Carthage College. Motion passed that this report be adopted.

CARTHAGE COLLEGE

Carthage College finished last June, the 75th year of higher educational work by the Lutheran Church in the Central West. The enrollment of this past year was larger than ever before. The graduating class was the largest in the history of the institution.

The college lost a valuable teacher this summer in the drowning of Prof. J. H. Voss; his oldest daughter was drowned with him. Prof. H. M. Kressin takes his place on the staff. September 26, Dr. E. M. Robbins of Carthage, passed to his reward. He was a member of the Board of Trustees since 1900, and for a number of years a member of the Executive Committee.

The enrollment this year is about twenty per cent larger than last year and composed of fine classes of students. It became necessary to use the barracks for our assembly hall. For the first time in 50 years the old chapel room on the fourth floor of Old Main was too small to hold the student body. This old chapel room was divided into two rooms. One will be used by Tressler Literary Society, and the other for Domestic Science.

The college offers complete courses of study in Domestic Science, Domestic Economy and Household Arts.

The Conservatory of Music faculty is a strong one. Teachers from the faculties of Oberlin, Columbia and Elizabeth College, were added to our force this year.

We house more boys and girls than ever before. We need more room for both. Some man of means should provide \$40,000 to erect a boys' dormitory. It can be done with that amount, using the \$25,000 worth of material and labor in the barracks building. This would free North Hall (now used by boys for girls), and so meet both needs.

Large as is our enrollment we had to turn away one hundred young people who could not come without financial assistance. To meet this need, and secure the attendance of some of the most promising students to be found among these youths without financial means, we should have at least 100 endowed scholarships of \$2000 each. This is an opportunity for people who cannot give more than \$2000, to create a memorial fund in the name of a loved one. Here is an opportunity for a local brotherhood to establish funds which will perpetually help educate worthy young people of limited means.

Continued efforts should be put forth to secure the attendance in our college at Carthage more of our young people and the best of them.

We emphasize again the necessity of doing all in our power to insure an offering of \$100,000 for the college on Reformation Day.

The Iowa Synod is asked to appoint two of its clerical members, one of which is to be the President of the Synod, to act with similar representatives of the other Synods and the college board, as a committee to draw up plans for the election of members to the College Board of Trustes.

S. M. LESHER, F. F. SCHUTTER, Trustees.

Moved and seconded that we take up report of Carthage College at next session.

Motion that we adjourn.

Dr. C. Rollin Scherck led in prayer.

FOURTH SESSION

Thursday, October 6th, 1921, 1:35 p. m.

Prayer by Rev. H. B. Shank.

Minutes approved by President.

Report of Home Mission Committee including the report of Home Mission Committee Treasurer, Mr. Arthur Dean.

Motion made and passed that we accept the Home Mission Committee report.

REPORT OF THE MISSION COMMITTEE

Dear Brethren:-

God has richly blessed the Mission activities of our Synod during the year. The progress and growth have been of the sturdy oak type.

Ely alone is now vacant as Student Herbert Wyandt of Hamma Divinity School has recently returned to the school to resume his theological studies. Splendid work has been done during his stay of four months. All concerned feel that the Ely parish is a most promising one and that the right man permanently stationed there it would very quickly become a mighty power and the religious center of the large unchurched territory surrounding it.

Ft. Madison, Rev. John J. Gent, pastor, has made commendable progress and every department of the congregation is in a healthful growing condition. The debt on the beautiful new parsonage is constantly becoming less and \$100.00 has been reduced from the amount of aid asked from the General Board for the ensuing year.

Dubuque, Rev. W. D. Ziegler, pastor, is pushing forward encouragingly. A goodly number have been received and the future looks bright. There being no parsonage, the rent problem is quite troublesome. The congregation has increased the salary \$100.00, and the General Board has added a like sum with the understanding that a substantial decrease is to be made next year.

Muscatine, Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, pastor, is steadily growing stronger. The outstanding need seems to be a new church. With the desired and needed church a reality the congregation would at once take her rightful place among the larger and more influential congregations of the city. The debt on the present property has been fully paid. If the new church is not built costly reparis and improvements must be made on the old buildings. The wisest plan seems to be build as soon as possible. The amount of aid asked from the General Board has been reduced.

Princeton Pleasant Valley Parish, Rev. Mark Getzendaner, pastor, has added much numerical strength during the year. The parish is just on the threshold of self support as it receives but \$150.00 aid from the General Board. It is hoped that next year the three congregations composing the parish will decide to divide the \$150.00 among themselves and declare themselves self sustaining. Pastor Getzendaner and his wife are admirably adapted to the work and much credit is due them for the marked growth and development of the field. They occupy a central position in the hearts of the people of the entire community.

Ottumwa, Rev. Fred Ross Scherck, pastor, is taking on new life

and slowly but surely regaining her lost strength. A year ago the Synodical Superintendent was directed to take charge of the work as soon as Rev. Seaman reached Iowa Falls. He found the conditions very discouraging. The Sunday School children were all gone except The small congregation was scattered and disheartened. No church services had been held for a number of weeks as the church officers said there was no money with which to pay a supply. Unpaid bills and interests were piling up. After the superintendent was on the field for about a month he reported his findings to the committee and it was decided to make one more heroic effort to save the congregatin. A strong, patient, able pastor was sought and found in the person of Rev. Scherck. He visited the field, was unanimously called and December found him energetically at work on the field. With his coming hope once more came of the people and the congregation has since been constantly increasing in interest, activity, and strength. The future is now quite bright and with continued perseverence it is believed that Ottumwa shall yet come to the front and become a strong, influential congregation.

Iowa Falls, Rev. F. H. Seaman, pastor, has had a hard year on account of the removal of a number of strong families and the decrese in the prices of farm products. The heaviest givers are farmers.

The loss in membership has been more than made up in numbers but those who have gone are sadly missed. This is another mission in need of a new church and there is some talk of building next summer if the cost of building becomes more normal.

Waterloo, Rev. Leland M. Lesher, pastor, is developing nicely and pastor and people are working together in harmony. The Mission Committee met with the congregation recently and from all appearance the mission has entered into a period of prosperity and growth. Rev. Lesher entered the field as pastor on June the first.

Valley Junction, Rev. Paul R. Clouser, pastor, is making headway. This is a hard but promising field. The pastor and his wife have won their way into the hearts of the members and friends. As they entered the field in June much cannot be expected as yet, but the way is cleared and prepared for the future growth and success. The church property is the most prominent in the city and is valued at \$15,000.00. There is a debt of only \$1333.32, besides \$800.00 to the Church Extension Society. The congregation and especially the ladies are working heroically to meet a payment on half of the \$1333.32 on November the first. They have more than \$400.00 in the bank and have prospects of having the full \$666.66 at the time it is due. Then one more payment of a like sum one year hence and the young mission shall have one of the best properties in the Synod free from interest bearing debt.

Webster City, Rev. J. M. Herbst, pastor. This congregation was talking of disbanding less than five years ago. It was one of the first places served by the superintendent when he entered his present work. Encouragement was then given and with the coming of Rev. Herbst their hopes began to rise and their fears to diminish. Just a few figures which speak more strongly than words. In the four and one half years of the present pastorate debts amounting to \$2000.00 were paid, \$1000.00 of improvements were made, the salary was increased \$500.00 and the membership has increased 51 per cent. As a result of the above blessings the congregation has declared itself self supporting after October 1, 1921. No wonder the pastor writes, "We can thank God and take courage."

Council Bluffs, Rev. C. J. Ringer, pastor. Most of you know of the past trials and tribulation of this congregation, but again we have an

illustration of what can be done when the right man gets into the right place and with consecrated stick-to-itiveness gives himself wholly unto the sacred task before us. Pastor Ringer and his congregation have come forth conquering and still to conquer. They have overcome difficulties and hardships experienced by few and today they declare themselves self-supporting from October 1, 1921. Council Bluffs has become one of the strong congregations of the Synod.

The Mission Committee has taken official action heartily congratulating and highly commending both the pastor and people of each of these newly self-sustaining congregations, and we feel that the entire Synod voices the same goal.

Missouri Valley, Ia. For the first time this name comes before It was brought to the attention of the Superintendent last January, investigated and later a canvass was made and the names of more thn 200 Lutherans were secured. After his report to the Mission Committee the Superintendent was authorized to enter the field as soon as he could leave Valley Junction. The first church service was held Sunday afternoon, June the fifth, and on July the 17th the American Lutheran Church was organized with 55 members. A church council of nine was elected and the constitution recommended by the U. L. C. was adopted. Since then a flourishing missionary Aid Society has been organized with members, and a splendid choir is in process of formation. The Sunday School numbers sixty, and is growing steadily. On September the 25th the Lord's Supper was given for the first time and the charter membership list declared closed. To the great joy of all it contained exactly 75 names prayed and worked for by all. Thirty-five of the members are men and the baptized membership is 129.

Duplex envelopes are used and only Lutheran literature.

The every member canvass just had, resulted as follows: Of the 75 members, 4 have not been seen as yet, 70 of the 71 canvassed subscribed for current expenses and for benevolences. Amount subscribd for benvolence \$332.80, for current expenses \$1263.60; total \$1596.40, an average of \$22.78.

If this vigorous young mission had a suitable church property of its own it would never go to the mission board for aid but would be self supporting from the start. A strong pastor is being sought and the superintendent is to remain in charge of he work until such a one is secured.

Financial statement from October 1, 1920, to September 30, 1921:

| Defic | it | .\$199.16 |
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The two causes for this deficit are, first, the superintendent received nothing while he served Ottmuwa as every dollar obtainable was badly needed for other purposes; second, the Mission Committee made no appropriation for new work but directed the superintendent to report all expenses incurred in such work with his regular expenses.

General. There are 36 county seats in Iowa without a Lutheran Church and there are 60 other places with a population of 1000 or more, without a Lutheran Church. Surely the field is large and we believe ripe unto the harvest.

During the year the Superintendent has added to the various missions 83 adults and 16 by infant baptism, making a total of 99.

The committee asks Synod for \$3000.00 with which to do its Iowa work during the year.

Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 28, 1921.

At the congregational meeting of St. Paul's English Lutheran Church of Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 28, 1921, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas the pastor, Rev. J. A. Miller, in response to urgent calls has looked over the field in West Davenport and reported that this is a very promising field filled with the brightest of prospects for a new church to be started to further the spread of the gospel.

Therefore, be it resolved, That we ask the Synod to open this field at once and to place Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner in charge, and we agree to pay \$1000.00 per year towards his salary and underwrite an amount to the extent of \$3500.00 towards the erection of a house of worship. Our congregation further goes on record to morally support the new project and willingly transfer any and all of our present members now residing in the district who will be willing to work there.

St. Paul's English Lutheran Church

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It was moved and carried that the Missions Committee recommend to Synod the acceptance of proposition made by St. Paul's Church, Davenport, for the establishment of a Mission in West Davenport, and that this board appropriate \$1000.00 per year to apply on Missionary salary for one year.

The committee recommends that Synod obligate itself to raise \$500 for the Ottumwa Mission and that an opportunity be now given to secure pledges for said amount.

Respectfully submitted

On behalf and at the direction of the Mission Committee, PAUL J. GERBERDING, Secretary of the Committee

Nevada, Iowa, Oct. 1, 1921.

To the President and Members of the Mission Committee: Greetings:—

Your Treasurer begs leave to submit the following report:

RECEIPTS

| On hand September 30, 1920 | 15.57 |
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| Received from Treasurer of Synod | |
| Received from Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Sec | 234.23 |
| Received from Rev. J. S. Leamer, (refund) | 5.00 |
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Total Receipts\$3154.80

DISBURSEMENTS

| Rev. P. J. Gerberding (Salary) \$2 | 100.00 |
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Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR DEAN, Treasurer.

Moved and passed that we accept the report of the Carthage College Special Fund.

Dr. Hoover addressed the Synod on behalf of Carthage College.

Rev. John Seibert addressed the Synod on the Proposed Mission of St. Paul's Church. The following pledged themselves to assist Ottuma Mission to the following sums:

Des Moines, \$75.00; Iowa City, \$50.00.

Election of the lay delegates to the United Lutheran Convention resulted as follows: U. S. Alderman, H. A. Mohl, J. A. Behnke.

Moved that the three highest men be elected as alternate delegates to the United Lutheran Convention: C. F. Manhold, W. W. Toole, E. Hetzel.

The Committee on President's Report made its report. Motion to accept the report passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We, your Committee on President's Report, have carefully scrutinized the same and we wish to heartily commend our President for the efficient and faithful service he has rendered our Church and Synod throughout the year. His report as given to us at this meeting of Synod confirms our confidence in him. The duties of his office have been faithfully performed, and his report is a confirming exhibition of this fact.

We beg to call the attention of Synod to the following items for action:

- 1. The Synod's action on the Carthage College Cash Campaign.
- 2. The Election of Delegates to the Biennial Convention of the U. L. C. $\,$

Respectively submitted, J. O. SIMON, Chairman

Reports of the Trustees of the Western Theological Seminary.

Moved and passed that this report be accepted.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES TO THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Concerning the Western Theological Seminary your Trustees would state:

First, that the institution is in excellent condition as far as faculty and students are concerned and we should be congratulated on the excellence of the work that is being done.

Second, that the institution should have our prayers and cooperation. The pastors and congregations in this western field should organize a campaign for students for the ministry that we may be prepared to meet the increasing needs of the church for men to preach the Gospel.

Third, that the Seminary begins its work with about the same attendance as past year.

Fourth, that the Board faces the necessity of immediately erecting or purchasing a building to house this school. We have the opportunity to buy a very fine residence that would meet our needs for the next five years, but whether we buy or build the need is there and must be provided for.

Fifth, that the Synod of Iowa has not yet ever made a systematic contribution to our Western Seminary although nine of the men now on this field have graduated from this institution. It is our conviction that Synod should, during the next year, offer itself to a systematic canvass for funds to be used in the purchase or building of a well equipped home for our training school at Fremont, Nebraska.

Sixth, our Trustees recommend that the Executive Committee of Synod be authorized to arrange, for such canvass, with the Board and Faculty of the Seminary to be conducted not later than January of 1923.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER, Trustee

Dr. H. Dysinger addressed the Synod on the Western Theological Seminary Trustees' report.

Moved and passed that we accept Sioux City's invitation for Synod next year.

Moved that the President of Synod appoint two to represent our Synod to meet with Carthage College Board. The President appointed J. O. Simon.

Report of Committee on Conference. Moved and accepted the report of Committee on Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE

Your committee on conferences beg to submit the following:

During the past year the Eastern and Western Conferences held a joint session in St. Matthew's Church, North Liberty, the Rev. Geo. Mendenhall, pastor. The theme, Men, Money, Mission, created a lively discussion and we trust much good resulted therefrom. On the basis of 100 per cent the attendance was fair.

Respectfully submitted, THE COMMITTEE,

Per T. F. Weiskotten

Report of Calendar Committee.

Motion passed to be accepted.

Report of Committees on Excuses and Absentees.

Motion passed that this be accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ABSENTEES

The committee finds that the following clerical members of Synod are absent from Synod: Rev. A. J. Kissell, Rev. J. A. Lowe, Rev. W. D. Wolgermuth, Rev. W. K. Hill and Rev. L. C. Urlaub.

We recommend that Rev. A. J. Kissell, Rev. W. A. Wolgermuth and W. K. Hill be excused. That Rev. J. A. Lowe and Rev. L. C. Urlaub be asked by Secretary to furnish an excuse.

Rev. W. H. Blancke, Rev. J. O. Simon, Mr. U. S. Alderman, Mr. J. L. Berger asked to be excused before the close of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. J. BUELOW

Report of Claims Committee.

Motion passed that this report be accepted.

Report of the Resolution Committee.

Motion passed to accept report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION

Because of the kindness shown and the generous care given us by the pastor and people of St. Paul's Church, be it resolved:

- 1. That we express to them our sincere appreciation for their hospitality.
- 2. That we thank the choir and all who have made our public services so successful.
- 3. That we appreciate very much the generosity of the press in giving us space in their excellent papers.
- 4. That we thank the officers of the Synod for their good work during the past year and assure those elected of our help and cooperating during the year to come.
- 5. That we urge all of our congregations in the Synod to help establish Thanksgiving week as the time for the annual every member canvass.
- 6. That we instruct the treasurer of Synod to pro rate the funds received and send the proper per cent to the treasurer of the United Luthran Church at regular intervals.
- 7. That we as a Synod co-operate to the fullest extent, with the National Lutheran Council in their great program of world service and use our best efforts in meeting their appeal for funds Oct. 15-30.
- 8. That the Executive Committee be instructed to appoint a committee on co-ordination whose duties it shall be to study the problems of our organized activities within the Synod and bring them under the supervision of Synod and aid them by advice, sympathy and helpful assistance to perfect their program and enlarge their usefulness for the church in Iowa and generally.

It is with thanksgiving that we turn to God today for the success of our work in his name, and by common act we here and now renew our vow to him to render the fullest service possible during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER

Report of Auditing Committee.

Motion passed that this report be accepted.

THE AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The auditing committee has checked over the books and record of the treasurer of Synod and find them O. K. The total receipts for the year were \$10,707.70. The total disbursements were \$10,472.45, leaving a balance on hand of \$235.25.

A letter from the Dubuue National Bank certifies to the fact that on September 30, 1921, there was on deposit \$750.02 against which we find outstanding checks amounting to \$514.77 which when cashed will leave \$235.25 in the bank.

We find ministerial education, Iowa Missions, Synodical Treasury in a lump sum under one heading and would recommend that these items together with Tabitha Home be kept under separate heading, and to distribute receipts as nearly as possible in harmony with amounts apportioned by Synod.

We find no record of Wendt fund ministerial education notes, and accounts, and recommend that the treasurer be instructed to get and handle same.

The treasurer's book is filled and we recommend that Synod order the treasurer to have a new record book printed, using ideas of one or two ex-treasurers, together with those of his own.

We have also audited accounts of Lee D. Koser, Trustee of Endowment Fund, which shows \$1982.60 cash in bank and balance of \$580.00 due from Emmanuel property sold.

We have audited the statement of receipts and disbursements of Arthur Dean, treasurer of Iowa Missions, and find balance of \$198.65 on hand September 30, 1921.

Your committee recommends that the treasurer be instructed to purchase book suitable for this record and present to Synod for audit in the usual way at the next annual session.

Respectfully submitted

HARRY MOPE

Motion passed that this Mission Committee be appointed to serve another year.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence made its report. Motion passed to accept this report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE

Your committee would present at this time the tabulated information from the several congregations. The new form sent out by the United Lutheran Church may seem somewhat difficult, but is designed to be of great value to the Synod when properly filled out.

The reports are encouraging in a large majority of the churches. The several organizations seem to be receiving emphasis. The Sunday School reports show a good increase; would that it was greater. The benevolences of the churches fails to reach a high goal.

Three had a small excess on apportioned benevolences. Six paid it in full. Over \$5000.00 unpaid, seems too great an amount for the Iowa Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. N. SWIHART

Motion that the usual number of minutes be printed for next year and to be printed with them the minutes of the Women's Missionary Society and the minutes of the Brotherhood.

Rev. P. N. Stahl addressed the Synod on behalf of the Nachusa Orphanage.

The President appointed on the Ministerial Committee the following: Rev. J. S. Leamer, Rev. C. R. Scherck, Mr. Geo. Boyson.

Motion made and passed that we elect a trustee to Nachusa Orphanage.

Motion made and passed that Mr. Dean be re-elected.

Motion made and passed that C. F. Manhold be elected as a delegate to the Western Theological Seminary.

Motion made that we adjourn as Synod and meet as Ministerium.

MINUTES OF MINISTERIUM

Dr. Frank Heilman led in pryaer.
The Examining Committee reported.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee begs leave to make the following report:

- 1. That the president of the Synod has put into our hands the applications of the following ministers for admission to our Synod, namely:
- a. The letter of Rev. F. H. Saemann, dismissing him from the German Nebraska Synod, signed by the President, Rev. G. H. Micklemann. Brother Saemann was ordained. He is pastor of the English Lutheran Church of Iowa Falls.
- b. The letter of Rev. Fred Ross Shirck, signed by Rev. O. D. Baltzly, President of Nebraska Synod. Brother Shirck was ordained in 1906, and is paster of St. Mark's Lutheran of Ottumwa.
- c. Rev. Frank Heilman, D. D., is pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sioux City, Iowa. He took charge December 13, 1920, and was installed February 9, 1921. He was ordained in 1921.

These gentlemen have been called into consultation by your committee and we recommend that they be regularly enrolled as membrs of Iowa Synod.

- 2. Rev. Paul Richard Clouser, a Licentiate of the East Pa. Synod, U. L. C. A., graduate of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, and at present pastor of the First Lutheran Church at Valley Junction; and Rev. Leland H. Leasher, son of Rev. S. M. Leasher of our Synod, also a graduate of the Seminary at Gettysburg, a Licentiate of this Synod and at present pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran Church at Waterloo, apply for ordination. Both these young men are college as well as Seminary graduates. They have been before the examining committee. We recommend that they be ordained at the service this evening.
- 3. Rev. R. Lee Kirkland, whose affiliation heretofore has been with the Christian Union seeks fellowship and work with U. L. C. A. Your committee has examined his credentials and held a coloquium with him in Des Moines last June, and another in the presence of a number of the members of this Synod Tuesday evening of this week. We recommend:
 - a. That he be licensed for one year.
- b. That a course of reading in Lutheran Theology be prescribed for him by the president of the Synod in co-operation with the faculty of the Western Seminary and he be asked to report what progress he
- c. That the president of the Synod use his good offices to locate is making from time to time to the president of the Synod. in one of our vacant fields at least temporarily where he can test his own fitness and adaptability for service in the Lutheran ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLMES DYSINGER, Chairman

Motion passed that Section No. 1 of report be adopted. Motion passed that Section No. 2 be adopted. Motion passed that Section No. 3 be adopted.

Motion to adopt as a whole.

Motion to adjourn.

Synod reconvened.

Motion that minutes of Ministerium be received.

Motion minutes of Synod be adopted.

Motion Synod adjourn.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa, held at Newton, Iowa, October 4-6, 1921.

MARK A. GETZENDANER.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE-1921-1922

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| 10 Fairfield | 217 | 625 | 227 | 852 |
| 11 Fernald | 81 | 233 | 85 | 318 |
| 12 Ft. Madison | 122 | 351 | 128 | 479 |
| 13 Iowa City | 230 | 662 | 142 | 804 |
| 14 Iowa Falls | 63 | 181 | 66 | |
| 15 Muscatine | 139 | 400 | 146 | 546 |
| 16 Missouri Valley | 75 | 216 | 79 | 295 |
| 17 Nevada | 250 | 720 | 263 | 983 |
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Day Sessions Were Held in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Parlors, Davenport

FIRST SESSION

Tuesday, October 4, 1921, 2:30 P. M.

After Devotional Services led by Mrs. E. Hetzel, Des Moines, subject being Consecration, the Forty-seventh Annual Convention was declared open.

Officers present:

President—Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines. Vice President—Mrs. L. E. Blessing, Cedar Rapids. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Bobo, Nevada. Treasurer—Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Iowa City.

Statistical Secretary—Mrs. W. G. Volmer, Burlington.

Solo—Mrs. Anderson, Davenport.

Call to order and presentation of credentials, with a two minute report from each delegate.

Burlington—Women's: Mrs. Chas. Frietag, Mrs. Peirce, Mrs. Wm. Nees. Junior's: Mrs. S. M. Lesher.

Cedar Rapids—Women's: Mrs. E. A. Spraker, Mrs. Burroughs, Mrs. Minnie Hess, Mrs. Brannaman.

Clinton—Women's: Mrs. A. Ketelson, Mrs. A. F. Schultheis, Mrs. E. O. Work. Young People's: Meta Frericka, Ruth Leamer, Clara Rehwoldt, Margaret Hansen, Florence Egeland, Ruth Egeland.

Davenport—Women's: Mrs. H. A. Mohl, Mrs. E. Youngquist, Mrs. H. Emmanualson. Young People's: Miss E. Feers.

Des Moines—Women's: Mrs. O. A. Strand, Mrs. E. Hetzel. Young People's: Corinne Neafie. Light Brigade: Mrs. A. B. Leamer.

Dubuque—Mrs. W. D. Zeigler.

Fairfield—Miss Jane Steele, Miss W. Bright.

Iowa City—Mrs. T. W. Wright, Mrs. S. P. Benson, Miss Nellie Wieneka.

Muscatine-Mrs. William Boldt.

Nevada—Women's: Mrs. John Mathison, Mrs. M. L. Tesdall, Mrs. B. B. Child, Mrs. M. Cessna. Young People's: Ethel Peterson. Light Brigade: Mrs. Karl Cessna.

Newton—Mrs. Fred Reeve, Mrs. Fred Webb.
Tipton—Mrs. Elizabeth Pfaff, Mrs. J. E. Willer.
Webster City—Mrs. J. M. Herbst, Mrs. P. Mathree.
Sioux City—Mrs. C. F. Manholdt, Mrs. J. De Bier.
Valley Junction—Mrs. Lars Peterson, Mrs. Arthur Hansen.

Department Secretaries

Home Department—Miss Annette Bricker. Young People—Miss Corinne Neafie.

Standing Committees

Literature—Mrs. W. Ingertson. Magazine—Mrs. A. Butler. Box Work—Mrs. Lesther. Dormitory—Mrs. T. J. Canny.

General Executive Board Representative—Mrs. H. D. Hoover.

Visitors—Miss McCrackin, Mrs. Paul R. Clouser, Mrs. C. Schmidt, Mrs. Hansen, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. Grimm, Mrs. J. A. Miner, Mrs. Ed. Rogers, Mrs. Jesse Leamer, Mrs. M. Getzendaner, Mrs. Carl J. Bingston, Mrs. Fred Clark, Mrs. Geo. Koser. Many others not enrolling.

Address of Welcome—Mrs. A. Mohl, Davenport. Response—Mrs. Elizabeth Pfaff, Tipton. Greetings from Synod—Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D. President's Address—Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers:-

Today we meet face to face in another annual convention to ask what the year has brot to us in our daily Christian living—what of encouragement or discouragement in our endeavor to follow the Master's command, "Go ye into all the world."

This year to some has brot the gifts of joy and gladness. Others have drained the cup of bitter grief. Happiness and peace for some—for others, care and pain.

This is a restless unsettled period through which we are passing. In our own land just now we are feeling the dreadful after effects of the World War as we have not before experienced them. There is need of strong Christian stabilizing of thought and action, of putting into practice the Golden Rule. Who, but God knows what part we mothers and sisters may have in helping solve some of the grave problems that crowd in upon our daily lives. May we, as Mary of old,

sit at the Master's feet, receiving instructions, receiving power and strength to face the hard places on life's journey. May these days spent together be days of reconsecration for each of us, reconsecration of time, of strength, of talent, of possession. May we feel the Master's presence in our lives as they are put into harmony with His plans and purposes for us. May we carry back to local organizations such zeal and earnestness in the work that it will be a stimulus to larger activities.

In reviewing the work of the year we find cause for gratitude for evidences of steady growth in missionary interests of all kinds throughout the State. The reports of the other officers and department secretaries will give itemized accounts of these activities, all of which indicate growth. Our thank offering was the largest ever received. Our Lenten Self-Denial Offering was an excellent beginning. The dues and other special quarterly calls were met more regularly than eevr before. Our growth in giving is commendable, because it is evidence of our growth in interest and knowledge of the needs of the work at large.

A recent message from our General Executive Secretary informs me that at the close of the first year of this biennium shows the total receipts to be more than half of the amount of the biennium's budget. Our women everywhere have done well. For this we do rejoice.

Each biennium finds us as a General Society able to reach out and do larger things in extending the kingdom because of the loyalty and hearty support of each congregational society.

I have tried to keep in close touch with officers and each local society by visitation and by correspondence. One week in May it was my privilege to visit at Webster City, Iowa Falls, Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, Tipton, North Liberty, Iowa City, Newton, and later at Valley Junction. At each place, the message I had for the women was received most cordially and heartiest co-operation to help extend organization and enlist more members was promised. Aside from the joy of becoming better acquainted with the people on the field, there is the satisfaction of reporting that the promises made are being kept. For at Webster City, the Juniors, the Light Brigade and a Home Department have been organized. At Tipton, a Home Department and a Light Brigade, including Little Lights. At Newton, also, a Home Department, a Light Brigade and Little Lights. At North Liberty, Waterloo, Iowa Falls, and Valley Junction, the ladies agreed to become Helper's Circles, by using once a month in Aid Society, the Missionary lessons as outlined in our Home Department booklets and for the present contributing their dues to our state treasurer. of these four promising Helper's Circles let us all pray that active, vigorous societies will eventually develop. At least twelve new subscriptions to Woman's Work at these four places were obtained and everywhere an impetus to missionary interests was manifest. I am happy to tell you also that recently at Sioux City, a Women's Society has been effected, that the Little Lights are enrolled at Nevada and Des Moines, that at Missouri Valley, our newest and youngest Synodical child, the women are there willing and anxious to begin right and have introduced the missionary lessons along with the Aid Society work. Are not these encouraging signs?

Let us bow in a prayer of gratitude to God for them and ask His guidance and His strength as we look out over our state at the place yet unoccupied. May we not be satisfied until each department from Women's Society to Little Lights is organized in each congregation and until each woman, youth and child is identified with some link in the missionary chain of activities.

To this end let us enter most prayerfully and heartily into the National Campaign, the first two weeks of this October, for new members and new subscriptions for "Lutheran Woman's Work." Our General Literature Committee has made every provision for carrying to success their plan and have issued budgets of literature, full of information, to each Woman's Missionary Society in the United Lutheran Church. Now it remains with each local society to work out the plan. I would urge that you delegates, upon your return home, see to it that the literature is distributed, that the canvass is made, so that Iowa may do nobly her part in this 25 per cent increase asked of us.

I wonder if every Congregaional Society recognizes its great privilege and feels keenly the obligation as set forth in our Constitution under "Object," i. e., "to assume responsibility for the missionary instruction and organization of the young people and children of the church." If we did, would there be only six or seven each of such organizations reported when we have thirty congregations? Let theburden of prayer at this convention be that our women may be willing to render this service of leadership that our youth, the future hope of the church, may be rightly trained.

Oh! how much depends upon each local Society. Not one member is there but has some special work to do—something no one else can do. But we need companionship with God for we are workers together with Him and without Him we can do nothing. Let us then be faithful and willing to take advantage of every opportunity, whether the service seems large or small. It is not ours to measure results, but we do know that God is counting upon each one—you and me—to help carry His message of salvation to all mankind. He has no other plan.

Our Efficiency Chart is proving helpful in that it keeps before each local society a goal toward which to strive to be 100 per cent efficient.

In looking over our historical records we find our past Presidents have been women of vision and faith in the future. Miss Lyday prayed and urged that we have an "Iowa Special"—some definite object toward which we might direct our efforts and our gifts above that planned for us by the General Executive Committee. This idea, like a tiny seed, has taken time to develop into a reality, but today we rejoice that our Synodical Society is privileged to aid in the support of a promising mission right on Iowa territory. Of this we will hear more on Wednesday evening at the "Ingathering" for this purpose.

There was a time when we were asked to pray that doors of opportunity for woman's work might be opened. How wondrously God has answered in that now no land, nor to no nation, is our work restricted. Then came the urgent call for prayers for workers—young people for training for various kinds of Christian service at home and abroad. Again the response has been so full that we are not ready to use all our splendid volunteers, and why? Because we have not the available means for equipment! Now we must pray that more and larger gifts of money be placed at the disposal of our Executive Board that all these young, consecrated lives may speedily be fitted and sent to their several choices of labor in the great fields "white unto the harvst." Are we using prayer, this strongest Christian weapon, as we ought? Do we really believe that it is the fervent prayer that availeth much?

"I am ready," was the motto of Paul. Ready for anything, anywhere. Ever since he heard the voice and saw the light on the Damascus road, nothing seemed worth while except to know and do

the will of his great Commander. The vision of the man from Macedonia with outstretched, appealing hands, crying "Come help us," burned in his heart and brain, and under the guidance of God, Paul immediately goes—the first missionary to Europe. If, through the centuries, the people had continued in the teachings of the Gospel as then established, the results would not be what we find in that continent today.

Just as the man in the vision stood before Paul, so the millions who know not Jesus stand before us. Their cry is very pitiful and earnest. Thank God it is being heeded by many, for the same Jesus who spoke to Paul, is speaking now and men and women are saying: "I am ready." Thus are the ranks or recruits for our work ever kept filled. How good God is to give us, who live in this day, like opportunities to those he gave to Paul—to waken the song of faith, hope and love in all desolate places of the earth. If we only use our opportunities—small as they may seem—they too will prove to be "great and effectual doors." Sometimes an effectual door is opened into a heart by a kind word or deed.

Each year faithful workers are called into their eternal rest. Our Historian will report these, but mention should here be made of the recent sudden death of Mrs. W. W. Witmer, of Des Moines. A charter member of our Society, a past General Vice President, Synodical President for six years, she was a wonderful inspiration and help in all missionary endeavors, as well as in all departments of the life and success of our local church. May we emulate her beautiful Christian character and example by following more closely in the footsteps of the Master she loved so dearly and served so faithfully.

Then to Mrs. Taylor, our efficient Treasurer, we would extend loving sympathy in the loss of her husband. May our Father sustain and comfort these and all other families in their bereavement, until the day of glorious reunion.

This year, we will have as our special advisers and helpers, Mrs. Hoover, representing the General Board, and Miss Hilma Levine, Superintendent of Nurses Training School at Rajahmundry, India. I'm sure their presence will be a blessing to all of us.

The Executive Committee has had no regular meetings but the work of the year has been carried on through correspondence.

In January, cards were sent to all societies urging observance of the Lenten Self-Denial Offering. In May, letters of greeting and recommendation were issued. In July, the recording secretary, vice president and president, together with three Department Secretaries, met in Des Moines for preliminary convention program plans. In September, each congregation, where no Missionary Societies exist, were invited to send one or more representatives to this gathering.

I have written 165 letters, 30 post cards, and several convention programs.

Recommendations

- 1. That we heartily co-operate with the plans from General Headquarters to increase our membership by making a real and determined effort to realize our watchwords, "A Woman's Society in every congregation in Iowa, and a Light Brigade in every Missionary Society."
- 2. That the first week of Lent, as a Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, be observed by all societies.
- 3. That all Societies—Women's, Young People's and Light Brigades—keep up prompt and accurate reporting to Synodical officers,

not failing to reply to letters. How else can each be properly credited for full membership and work accomplished.

- 4. That the average of 10c per member monthly dues in Women's and Young People's Societies be maintained as well as the 10c per capita annual Synodical fee and the annual Travel Fund of 5c per member.
- 5. That each congregational society endeavor to have at least one Mission Study class. The Lenten season is an opportune time for such class meetings.
- 6. That our splendid literature be more widely circulated and read.
- 7. That annually, each society endeavor to gain at least one "Life Member."
- 8. That we at this session make some definite plans for a proper and fitting celebration of our 50th anniversary in 1924.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed in me and assuring you of my appreciation for your co-operation and hearty support in my efforts, I return to you the trust committed to me one year ago.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. B. LEAMER

Local gains or losses—one from each Congregational Society.

All standing sing, Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow—for these good reports.

Playlet—"A Day in a Chinese Hospital," given by the Davenport Juniors.

Committees:

Officers—Mrs. E. A. Spraker, Mrs. Mohl, Mrs. Brannaman, Mrs. Frietag.

Department Secretaries—Mrs. J. M. Herbst, Mrs. M. L. Tesdall, Ruth Leamer, Mrs. Emanuelson.

Nominations—Miss Annette Bricker, Mrs. Minnie Hess, Mrs. Geo. Kooser, Mrs. Wm. Nees, Mrs. Schultheis, Mrs. E. Pfaff, Mrs. Mathree.

Minutes-Mrs. S. M. Lesher, Miss Corinne Neafie.

Auditing—Mr. Lee Koser, Mr. Lee Bates.

Resolutions—Mrs. E. Hetzel, Miss Jane Steele, Mrs. Karl Cessna, Mrs. Ziegler.

Letters and Papers—Mrs. Burroughs, Mrs. Fred Webb, Miss Nellie Wieneka, Miss Ethel Peterson.

Reporters—Lutheran Women's Work: Mrs. J. M. Herbst. Lutheran: Mrs. M. H. Taylor. Local Papers: Mrs. H. A. Mohl.

Collector-Miss Frerichs, Mrs. Clouser.

Twilight House-Miss Bricker.

Collection—\$8.40.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, 9:00 A. M.

9:00 A. M. Confessional Service and Holy Communion with Synod.

10:30 A. M. Called to order by Vice President, Mrs. L. E. Blessing.

Roll Call of officers and delegates. Minutes of Tuesday P. M. read and approved.

Rev. E. G. Miller was then introduced who brought a message from the Board of Ministerial Relief.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

. Woman's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa, of the United Lutheran Church in America:

We, the undersigned have audited the books and yearly report ending July 31, 1921, of Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Treasurer, Iowa City, Iowa, and find them well kept and prepared, showing all monies received credited to funds designated by the sender and all disbursements have been made by check. We find the books to show a balance on hand of \$180.51, as well as the yearly statement, which said \$180.51 corresponds to bank balance on hand.

We suggest a Treasurer's book with sufficient columns to allow a column for every fund, instead of using two books, and would also suggest that individual accounts be kept with various congregations of the Synod, which would permit quick reference to any congregation account without a perusal of the entire year's work. We commend Mrs. Taylor for her neat and intelligent books.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE D. KOSER R. A. BATES ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WOMEN'S MISSION ARY SOCIETY OF THE SYNOD OF IOWA, OF THE UNITED LUTH-ERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—AUGUST 1, 1920, TO AUGUST 1, 1921

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Of Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa, of the United Lutheran Church in America

SYNODICAL TREASURY

| Nov. 11-13, 1920 Convention Offerings\$ 29.25 |
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| Convention Box Work |
| Memorial Flowers for Miss Lyday 4.00 |
| July, 1921 Synodical Fees from 16 Societies 41.20 |
| Total Receipts for Year\$194.45 |
| By Balance Aug. 1, 1920 |
| Total in Treasury |
| Sept. 4, 1920 Check to General Treasurer to |
| Balance Travel Fund\$ 11.90 |
| Nov. 11, 1920 To Memorial Flowers for Miss Lyday 4.00 |
| Nov. 12, 1920 To Convention Bills (Programs, R. R. |
| Fares, Stamps and Stationery) |
| Jan. 20, 1921 Cash to General Fund, Memorial Member- |
| ship for Mrs. Allien Owen |
| Jan. 20, 1921 Cash to Carthage College Dormitory 5.00 |
| March 24, 1921 To Mrs. Leamer for letter heads and |
| envelopes |
| July 2, 1921, To Mrs. Leamer for expense of Synodical |
| Visitation 23.06 |
| Total Disbursements \$103.12 |
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MRS. MAURICE H. TAYLOR, Treasurer

Statistical Secretary report read and accepted. (See page 45).

Motion by Mrs. A. B. Leamer "That in congregations where more than one Society exists, the Statistical Secretary of the Women's Society be responsible for all reports." Seconded.

Efficiency Chart—Its Worth, presented by Mrs. A. B. Leamer.

Pennants presented to three congregational societies for 100 per cent efficiency—Nevada, Newton and Des Moines, Nevada being commended as holding honor place in enrollment and finance.

Conference with Mrs. H. D. Hoover, Carthage, Ill., representing General Executive Board.

Mrs. Henry Ingertson then called attention to the display of Literature and suggested delegates buying early.

Rev. Frederick of Spokane, Washington, was presented and told of the work being done by the New Theological Seminary.

Benediction.

REPORT OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY, 1920-1921

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MRS. H. G. VOLLMER, Statistical Secretary.

Wednesday, 1:30 P. M.

1:30 P. M. Devotions, "Prayer" led by Mrs. A. F. Schulthers.

Roll Call. Minutes read and approved.

Mrs. Fred Clark presented the needs of Near East. Especial mention of Armenia.

Symposium—"Just Among Ourselves," Mrs. Geo. Koser, and Miss Ruth Leamer. "Our Problems," Mrs. Ella Burroughs, and "Sleeping Sickness" in our Congregational Societies," Mrs. M. L. Tesdall. General discussion.

Solo-Mrs. Anderson.

Historian report prepared by Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker, read by Mrs. Fred Webb.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

I sent out to each society in Iowa a questionaire of twelve questions. I sent twenty, and received just twelve answers. Two of these letters had no signatures and unhappily the postmark was unreadable. Two good reports, too.

There is an increase in numbers in each letter and also subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work. Newton, Nevada and Des Moines each report a perfect wheel.

Home Department work is being established too.

Very few report twilight hour or tithing or morning watch. All used programmes as outlined in Lutheran Womans' Work, introducing outside helps, music and dialogues of interest.

No names were given when deaths were reported.

We all lament our loss in the home-going of dear Mrs. Witmer. What wonderful help she was—what a treasure mind in regard to our state work. Her gain is our loss.

The mission study class is not prevalent.

A few report Lenten services and good offerings turned in as one of the results.

I am wondering if each individual society in our state could have a Historian who might send in an interesting and complete report to the State Historian each fall. I imagine this is the only correct way to gather helpful data.

Hoping next year's Historian may have better results than I, I respectfully submit this report.

MRS. E. SLOANAKER,

Synodical Historian

Memorial Service. Hymn, "Abide With Me."

Tribute paid to Mrs. W. W. Witmer, Mrs. G. W. Snyder, Mrs. C. Dorner, Mrs. Louis Messer, Mrs. Ada Fitchpatrick, the first two having been State Convention presidents.

Motion 'that the Secretary be instructed to send a message of sympathy to Rev. G. W. Snyder and family.' Carried.

Memorial service concluded with a solo, "One sweetly, solemn thought," by Corinne Neafie.

Greetings were brought from Augustana Convention by Mrs. K. T. Anderson.

Rev. E. Walters of Tabitha Home, gave outline of the Home and work there being done.

Life Membership and In Memoriam report read and referred to committee.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF "LIFE MEMBERSHIP" AND "IN MEMORIAM"

To the Iowa Synodical Society:-

In accepting my appointment as Department Secretary of "Life Membership" and "In Memoriam," I did so with the hope that every member of the Missionary Societies in Iowa would respond to the opportunities found in this department of church activity, to further the interests of the Lutheran Church in America, through the General Society.

With this thought in view, April 6th, 1921, I sent a circular letter to the Woman's Missionary Societies of the State.

Attention was called to the importance of reading the folders enclosed, giving all necessary information regarding the department of "Life Membership" and "In Memoriam."

The same envelope also carried report blanks, giving itemized "data" in preparing application for the Honor Roll.

September 5, postal cards were mailed to the same societies, requesting them to report memberships taken during the synodical year, August 1, 1920, to July 31, 1921.

Replies were received from nearly all, giving the desired information. This was gratifying, inasmuch as those who had not taken membership the past year, hoped to do so the coming year. The result of our efforts during the past synodical year were as follows:

| Aug. 19, Nevada, "In Memoriam," Miss Ringheim | \$25.00 |
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| Aug. 19, Nevada, "Life Membership," Mrs. Ada Fitchpatrick | 10.00 |
| Aug. 19, Nevada, "Life Membership," Mrs. Lars Madison | 10.00 |
| Oct. 12, Newton, "Life Membership," Mrs. W. H. Blancke | 10.00 |
| Oct. 27, Iowa City, "In Memoriam," Mrs. W. H. Bailey | 15.00 |
| (Transferred from Life Membership to In Memoriam) | |
| Jan. 10, Synodical Society "In Memoriam," Mrs. Allien Owen | 15.00 |
| (Transferred) | |
| Mar. 8, Des Moines, "Life Membership," Mrs. John H. Hill | 10.00 |
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| Total | \$95.00 |

This report shows the result of united effort on the part of kind and loving friends, who wished to pay a tribute of recognition to a loyal co-worker and for faithful service when one of their number has been called to their reward.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. M. McPHERRIN,
Secretary "Life Membership" and "In Memoriam"

To the Missionary Societies of the Synodical Society of Iowa.

Greeting:—

I am writing to you in the interest of the Department of Life Membership and "In Memoriam." Enclosed please find leaflets received from the General Secretary of the Department.

I know you will be delighted to receive them, as they give us so much needed information and answer the questions that are asked of us, when we speak of Life Membership and Memorial Members of the General Society.

Have the leaflet read before your Society and then fasten it in your records, so that you will have it for future reference.

I feel sure we are going to do our very best this year. Every society will make an effort to place at least one name on the Honor Roll, a beautiful way in which to honor our loved ones who have "gone before," and a testimonial of love and esteem for faithful service of a fellow worker. Let us inspire an interest in Missions in the hearts of our children by making them "Life Members in the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church of America."

Each one of us has a part in the link which connects the local society with the synodical, the synodical with the general society, to whom these funds are entrusted for spreading the gospel tidings.

The report blanks were prepared at the suggestion of Mrs. Sanford, the General Secretary and, as you see, fills every requirement for making data, etc.

After complying with the report blank, kindly notify me of membership.

Yours very sincerely, MRS. J. M. McPHERRIN, 1138 39th Street Department Secretary Life Membership

Student Secretary report prepared by Miss Simmons. Read by Mrs. Hoover. Accepted and referred to committee.

Report of Student Secretary, 1920-1921.

The following churches reported girls attending college or university in Lutheran or non-Lutheran Institutions:

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Letta Simons, Secretary

Demonstration: A Junior Lesson given by Davenport Juniors.

Offering: \$8.10. Lord's Prayer. Adjourned.

Note—Mrs. Wetzel gave book report on the "Why and How of Missions" at 7:15 P. M.

Wednesday, 7:45 P. M.

Vesper Service conducted by Rev. J. A. Miller. Scripture Lesson and Prayer, Rev. F. Heilman.

Hymn. Announcements.

Special Music—Davenport choir.

Plate offering \$20.45.

Address—Miss Wilma Levine, Rajahmundry, India. Solo.

Ingathering for "Iowa Special," Mrs. S. M. Lesher. Offerings from societies and friends, \$220.00.

Hymn.

Benediction, Rev. J. J. Gent.

Thursday, 9:00 A. M.

9:00 A. M. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Minnie Hess. Subject, "Service."

Roll call. Minutes read and accepted.

Home Department report read and referred to proper committee.

REPORT OF HOME DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

We have heard it said, "He who aims at nothing in particular hits nothing in particular."

Now we have an aim, and our aim is to have a Home Department in every congregation in our Synod, and to increase our Efficiency Chart one hundred per cent.

Your committee would report 109 Home Department members. Cedar Rapids has 6, Des Moines 60, Fairfield 7, Nevada 18, Tipton 10, Webster City 2, Newton 6.

This makes an increase of 29 members.

Respectfully submitted,
ANNETTE BRICKER

I would recommend that our President be appointed General Organizer for this coming year; also that she be appointed official representative to the spring conference with expenses paid.

Junior Baby Roll report prepared by Mrs. D. E. Mayne and read by Mrs. Fred Reeve. Accepted and referred to committee.

REPORT OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE SECRETARY

The latter part of May I sent a letter to every congregation in Iowa asking them if they had an organized missionary society for their children and asking them to report to me the name of such organization, if they had one, and if not whether they would not be willing to organize. I also asked them if they would please reorganize their society according to the new plan and call the organization by the new name—The Light Brigade. The response was very light. Only three organizations in Iowa responding and sending an application for re-enrollment. Newton, Davenport and Iowa City. Then again in August I wrote the churches having no organizations asking them what the trouble was and I had better response this time—eight different societies wrote very encouraging letters, all stating that they would be organized by October 15th and others as soon as possible. They were all interested in the work which is very encouraging and gratifying.

Just before Synod I sent out a questionnaire to all organized societies in the State asking for the necessary information for this report and only two were returned properly filled out. Des Moines sent a complete report. Burlington did likewise. This was one of the discouraging things that happen.

Let me urge you—all of you—to pray over this matter and go home with a firm determination to organize a Light Brigade in your congregation this coming year.

The following is a report by congregations:

Muscatine-No society.

Fernald—Study missionary lesson in S. S. and take offering once a month.

Cedar Rapids—Will re-organize.

Davenport—Organized with 100 members.

Tipton—Organized with 41 members.

Valley Junction—None.

Sioux City—None.

Burlington-Organized with 24 members.

Webster City-None.

Clinton-None.

Ft. Madison-Just re-organizing.

Newton-Organized, 20 members.

Iowa City—Organized, 17 members.

Des Moines-Organized, 42 members.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. D. E. MAYNE.

Thank Offering report read and referred to Committee.

| Burlington—W | 58.00 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Cedar Rapids—W | 33.50 |
| Cedar Rapids—Jr. M. S. | 2.00 |
| Cedar Rapids—M. B. | |
| Cedar Rapids—Prim. Dept. of S. S. | 10.00 |
| Clinton—W | 17.04 |
| Clinton—Y. L. | 10.22 |
| Des Moines—W | 94.35 |
| Des Moines—Y. L. | 41.25 |
| Des Moines—Cor. Stein Miss. Cir. | 12.10 |
| Des Moines—Jr. M. S. | 10.00 |
| Dubuque—W | 35.65 |

| Fairfield—W Fernald—W Iowa City—W Muscatine—W Nevada—W Nevada—Y Newton—W Tipton—W Webster City—W | 41.50 9.94 45.87 13.50 67.00 18.17 33.00 24.00 25.00 |
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| Webster City—W | 25.00 |

\$604.09

HULDA BRIGHT, Thank Offering Secretary.

"Progressive Workers' Conference."

"IOWA SPECIAL" REPORT

Motion that the following recommendation be accepted and placed on file to replace recommendation printed in minutes of last year, page 48. Accepted.

The ex-Committee recommends that since we received no call for Box Work we place the amount received in the hands of the Missions Committee to be used to aid some mission within our own Synod, this fund to be designated as "Iowa Special."

Letters of Appeal in behalf of "Iowa Special" were sent to all Societies. Our Goal for this fund was \$150. We are gratified to report \$220.00 as a result of this effort. This sum will be used as a building fund for the new Mission at Missouri Valley.

MRS. S. M. LESHER, Secretary "Iowa Special."

Rev. Gerberding talked on our "Home Missions."

REPORT OF NOMINATIVE COMMITTEE

President—Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Mrs. J. M. Herbst. First Vice President—Mrs. S. M. Lesher, Mrs. H. A. Mohl. Second Vice President—Mrs. W. H. Blancke, Mrs. Minnie Hess. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Bobo, Mrs. Corrinna Neaffie. Treasurer—Mrs. H. M. Taylor, Miss Margaret Hansen. Statistical Secretary—Mrs. H. G. Volmer, Mrs. Fred Reeves. Historian—Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker, Mrs. H. A. Brannaman.

Respectfully submitted,
ANNETTE BRICKER,

Chairman.

Election followed. Results:
President, Mrs. A. B. Leamer.
First Vice President, Mrs. S. M. Lesher.
Second Vice President, Mrs. W. W. Blancke.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Bobo.
Statistical Secretary, Mrs. W. G. Volmer.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Taylor.
Historian, Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker.
Literature report read and accepted.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF LITERATURE

October 5, 1921.

Have received from Literature Headquarters during the year the flyers, leaflets and other material usually sent out by them for distribution and have mailed some to the statistical secretaries or presidents of the various congregational societies.

During September membership campaign literature samples were sent out with a letter of instructions how to order, and are hoping all our societies will carry on this campaign as suggested, or in any other way that may be suitable to them.

Have also received for distribution "campaign literature" to be sent out to congregations having no Missionary Societies, and it is planned to hold a conference with the pastors of such congregations at our Synodical meeting, if this can be done.

Report of sales will be made at the close of convention.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY INGERTSON, Secretary Literature Committee.

Motion that Literature Secretary car fares be paid one way. Seconded.

Amount of this year's Literature sales, \$36.06.

Offering.

Benediction.

Thursday, 1:30 P. M.

Devotions, led by Mrs. J. M. Herbst. Subject, "Giving." Roll call dispensed with. Minutes read and accepted.

"Our New Home. Its Meaning." Paper prepared by Mrs. D. E. Mayne, read by Mrs. Fred Reeve.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers:

Your Committee begs leave to submit herewith the following report:

The Convention was most cordially welcomed by Mrs. Mohl with a very fitting response by Mrs. Pfaff.

Mrs. Clark gave us a splendid talk on "World Service Campaign," which informed us of the need of urgent relief.

Mrs. Hoover's talk on Our Lutheran Girls was well received and we can assure her of our interest in this work.

A letter of greeting from the Augustana ladies was read by Mrs. Anderson of Moline. Their good wishes were well received and appreciated.

Symposium: "We the committee on papers and letters recommend that the practical and helpful suggestions given in each of these papers be impressed upon the minds of delegates, and that they may go home inspired to help put these into effect and push this good and wonderful work ahead.

Review of our Mission book. The Why and How of Missions was most excellently given by Mrs. Hetzel. A paper prepared by Mrs. Mayne, "Our New Name—Its Meaning," read by Mrs. Fred

Reeve, was very instructive and helped us to understand what our New Name really means.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. BURROUGHS, MRS. WEBB, MISS WIENEKKE, ETHEL PETERSON.

Junior Text Books: "Under Many Flags," "A Noble Army." MRS. A. A. STRAND.

Committee appointed to Revise the By-Laws of the Synodical Society submits the following, which were adopted:

ARTICLE I.

Time of Annual Convention.

The Annual Convention shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the preceding convention of the society, or may be determined by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II.

Fiscal Year.

The Fiscal Year shall close July 31st. Quarters shall close with October 20th, January 20th, April 20th and July 20th.

ARTICLE III.

Dues.

The dues from each Congregational Society shall be ten cents or more per month per member.

ARTICLE IV.

Delegates to Annual Convention.

Representation of Congregational Societies at Annual Conventions shall be one Delegate for every ten members or fraction thereof. The President of each Congregational Society by virtue of her office shall also be a delegate.

ARTICLE V.

Nominating Committee.

A nominating committee composed of seven members appointed by the President shall name two persons for each elective office, and election shall be by ballot.

ARTIVLE VI.

Amendments.

These By-Law may sbe altered or amended by an unanimous vote of the annual convention, or by a two-thirds vote if two months' notice has been given through the church papers.

MRS. M. H. TAYLOR, MISS ANNETTE BRICKER.

Motion by Mrs. Hetzel that report be accepted and that Constitution, By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation be printed in minutes. Seconded.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SYNODICAL SOCIETY, WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

ARTICLE I-Name.

This organization shall be known as the Women's Missionary Society of the ————— Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America.

ARTICLE II-Object.

The object of this organization shall be to interest the churches of the Synod in missions, to organize the women of the churches into Missionary Societies, and to sustain in every way the objects sanctioned and supported by the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church.

ARTICLE III-Membership.

All women who are members of Congregational Missionary Societies, for women, young people and juniors, shall be members of this Synodical Society.

ARTICLE IV-Meetings.

Section 1. This Society shall meet annually.

Sec. 2. Delegates to the Synodical Convention shall be the Officers of the Synodical Society, its Department Secretaries, Chairmen of Standing Committees and such other delegates as each Synodical Society shall decide for itself.

Sec. 3. A majority of delegates enrolled shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V-Officers.

Section 1. The Officers of this Society shall be a President, a Vice President, a Recording Secretary, a Statistical Secretary, a Treasurer and a Historian.

Sec. 2. Officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual convention. The President, Vice President and Recording Secretary may be eligible to two re-elections. The Statistical Secretary, the Treasurer and the Historian may be eligible to four re-elections.

ARTICLE VI-Duties of Officers.

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Committee, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for and supervise the work of the Society.

Sec. 2. The Vice President, in the absence the the President, shal preside at all meetings and shall co-operate with the President in furthering the work of the Society.

Sec. 3. The Recording Secretary shall give notice of the Synodical Conventions and of the Executive Committee meetings and keep a record of the proceedings of both. Under the direction of the President, she shall prepare the minutes of the conventions for publication.

Sc. 4. The Statistical Secretary shall collect all statistics of the Synodical Society and report the same semi-annually to the Statistical Secretary of the General Society and annually to the Synodical Society.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive the funds forwarded by the Congregational Societies, or the Conference Treasurers, crediting the same to the respective societies, and remit quartrly to the Treasurer of the General Society all funds designated for the work of the Women's Missionary Society. She shall send contributions for missionary objects, not supported by said Society, to the Treasurer of the Synod for disbursement to the designated objects.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds contributed for the incidental expenses of the Society, paying out the same only on a written order by the President and the Secretary.

- Sec. 6. The Historian shall keep a record of such events and statistics as may be of historical importance and present a written statement thereof at the convention of the Society.
- Sec. 7. The Officers of the Synodical Society, Conference Presidents, Department Secretaries and Chairmen of Standing Committees shall constitute an Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to manage the affairs of the Society between conventions, meeting frequently as the work may demand.

ARTICLE VII-Conferences

Where Conferences exist in a Synod, Conference Societies may be organized.

ARTICLE VIII-Synodical Relations.

Recognizing itself as a loyal and integral part of the Synod, the Society shall render an annual report of its proceedings to Synod and, when deemed advisable, confer, through its Executive Committee, with the Executive Committee of Synod.

ARTICLE IX-Committee on Literature.

There shall be a Committee on Literature, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the General Literature Committee, and funirsh Congregational Societies with missionary intelligence in the form of tracts, periodicals, etc.

ARTICLE X-Department Secretaries.

Department Secretaries shall be appointed to co-operate with the general Secretaries of Departments for the organization and development of the work.

ARTICLE XI-Synodical Fee.

To defray the expenses of the Synodical Society each Congregational Society—Women's and Young People's—shall pay ten cents per member, annually.

ARTICLE XII—By-Laws.

The Synodical Society shall adopt such By-Laws as may be necessary, provided they are not in conflict with this Constitution and the Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church.

ARTICLE XIII-Amendments.

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of this Society, by a two-thirds vote, provided notice of proposed amendment has been given at a previous meeting of the Society, or has been published in the official organ and the church papers two months before the time of the Synodical Convention.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, it is deemed advisable to change the name of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa, and to make other changes in the Articles of Incorporation, therefore

Be It Resolved by the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States of America, that Articles I, II, V, VI, VII and VIII of the Articles of Incorporation be adopted as a substitute for and in lieu thereof and

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be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute, sign and acknowledge such amendment, to wit:

Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States of America.

Know All Men by These Presents: That the persons hereto subscribing their names by virtue of the Statute of the State of Iowa, and by authority of a resolution duly adopted by the votes of two-thirds of the members present at a regular annual meeting of said corporation in favor of said amendment do hereby adopt the following as an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of said Society and as a substitute for and in lieu of Articles I, II, V, VI, VII, and VIII.

ARTICLE L

The name of this corporation shall be the Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa, and its principal place of business shall be in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

ARTICLE II.

This corporation is organized for missionary, religious and benevolent purposes and not for profit. Its object is and shall be to cooperate with the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions and Church Extension of the United Lutheran Church in America, and with such other boards and bodies as may be affiliated with the said United Lutheran Church for the purpose of promoting the best interests of missions and and the church.

ARTICLE V.

All women who are members of the Congregational Missionary Societies shall be members of this Synodical Society.

ARTICLE VI.

The officers of this corporation shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Statistical Secretary, a Treasurer and an Historian, which officers shall have the general oversight and management of the business of the corporation during the interim between its annual meetings.

ARTICLE VII.

The annual meetings of this corporation for the election of officers and for the transaction of such other business as may come before it shall be held at least once a year at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

ARTICLE VIII.

The election of officers shall be held on any day of annual meeting of the corporation, and the term of said officers shall be one year and until their successors are elected and installed, provided that the President, Vice-Presidents and Recording Secretary shall not be elected for more than two successive terms. The manner of elections shall be referred to the Synodical Society.

MRS. A. B. LEAMER, Pres.
MRS. L. E. BLESSING, 1st Vice.
MRS. W. H. BLANCKE, 2nd Vice.
MRS. JENNIE BOBO, Rec. Sec.
MRS. W. H. TAYLOR, Treas.
MRS. H. G. VOLLMER, Stat. Sec.
MRS. E. L. SLOANAKER, Historian

State of Iowa, Jasper' County, SS.

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| Be It Remembered | , that on th | is 11th day | of November, | A. D. |
| 1920, before the unders | igned, E. O. I | Korf, a Notary | y Public, with | in and |
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to me personally known to be the identical persons who signed the foregoing articles of incorporation as incorporators, and acknowledged the execution thereof to be their voluntary act and deed and for the purpose therein set forth.

Witness my hand and notarial seal this 11th day of November, 1920.

(SEAL) Notary Public in and for Jasper County, Iowa.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

The Young People's Department reports three societies—Des Moines, Clinton and Nevada and four Auxiliary or Kings Helpers circles—Cornelia Stein, Des Moines, Celia Lyday, Newton and Luther League, Burlington, Davenport.

In the active societies we have 81 active members and 14 honorary and two life. In the Helper's circle we have 88 active members and 2 honorary. This does not include the Davenport membership which is not listed. They have an average attendance of 25.

Our Thank Offering was \$78.42.

Two of our societies have attained honor ranks in the front rank requirement. Nevada has met eighteen of the twenty requirements and is 90 per cent or First Honor Society.

The Cornelia Stein circle of Des Moines, has met enough regular requirements to be an 80 per cent or a Second Honor Society.

All the reports are encouraging particularly the Helpers reports All reports speak of increased interest, and we feel sure that with the help of the woman's societies our department will grow to do big things for our work. Respectfully, CORINNE A. NEAFIE.

Accepted.

REPORT OF MAGAZINE SECRETARY

| Subscriptions to Woman's | Wor | k: | | |
|--------------------------------|------|----------|---|-----|
| Burlington | . 25 | Decrease | ************************ | . 2 |
| Cedar Rapids | 26 | Decrease | *************************************** | 8 |
| Clinton | 13 | Same as | last year. | |
| Clinton, Young People | 7 | | | |
| Davenport | | Decrease | *************************************** | 12 |
| Des Moines | 85 | Decrease | *************************************** | 19 |
| Des Moines Young People | 8 | Increase | *************************************** | 5 |
| Des Moines Cornelia Stein Cir. | 3 | Increase | | 1 |
| Dubuque | 29 | Increase | | 7 |
| Fairfield | 16 | Decrease | | 1 |
| Fernald | 11 | Decrease | *************************************** | 4 |
| Iowa City | 1.7 | Same as | last year. | |
| Muscatine | 9 | Increase | | 2 |
| Nevada | 19 | Decrease | | 1 |
| Newton | | Same as | last year. | |
| Tipton | 22 | | | |
| Webster City | 22 | Increase | *************************************** | 3 |
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| Total | 372 | Increase | *************************************** | 9 |
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MRS. A. M. BUTLER.

Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS

President: Your committee wishes to commend the President for her splendid work as shown by her report and to heartily approve of all her recommendations, especially the one suggesting a 50th anniversary program be in preparation.

Treasurer: Her report shows funds well taken care of and work done with accuracy and precision.

Statistical Secretary: This report is to be commended for neatness and efficiency.

Historian: We regret that death has taken some of our members from us, and endorse the suggestion that each congregational society have a Historian.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. A. SPRAKER, MRS. H. BRANNAMAN, MRS. C. FREITAG, MRS. H. A. MOHL.

Motion by Mrs. Spraker "That the delegates to this convention pledge themselves to support the campaign now in progress for new members." Carried.

Motion by Miss J. Steele "That formative plans for the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration be left in the hands of the Executive Committee. Carried.

Committee on Department Secretaries' reports after examining reports find that all departments have been on the increase during the year.

However, we would recommend more active work, especially along the line of Light Brigade organizations.

We would urge that every Society increase their subscription to "Woman's Work" and use all the Literature possible.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. M. HERBST, MRS. M. L. TESDALL, MRS. H. EMANUELSON, RUTH LEAMER.

Accepted.

REPORT OF MINUTES COMMITTEE

Your Committee has examined the minutes of the last convention and find that they have been complied with in harmony with the record.

MRS. S. M. LESHER, CORINNE NEAFIE.

Accepted.

BILLS ALLOWED.

| Mrs. A. B. Leamer, carfare and stationery\$ | 12.80 |
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| Mrs. M. W. Taylor, car fare, postage and stationery | 5.86 |
| Msr. W. G. Volmer, car fare, postage and stationery | 4.94 |
| Mrs. H. Ingertson, postage and car fare | 9.19 |
| Mrs. J. M. McPherrin, postage and stationery | 2.92 |
| Mrs. Jennie Bobo, carfare and stenographer | 8.29 |
| Miss Wilma Levine, car fare | 10.00 |
| Printing, filing articles of incorporation, pennants for efficiency, | |
| chart, telegrams, telephone and flowers | 20.25 |
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\$74.25

A Letter of Appreciation read from Mrs. M. W. Taylor for sympathetic letters, telegrams and flowers received when sorrow came to her household from the Missionary women of Iowa.

Presentation of "A Dream." Delegates from Burlington.

"Why a Magazine Campaign?" Open discussion, led by Mrs. M. H. Taylor.

Solo: Mrs. E. W. Keller.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the pastor and people of St. Paul's Lutheran Chucrh for their kind hospitality during our Convention.

Also that we express our appreciation to our officers and committees for the splendid program.

To Miss Hilma Levine for her inspiring message.

To Mrs. Hoover for her helpful presence as representative of the Executive Committee.

To the choir and Mrs. Anderson for the special music rendered.

To all those who have helped to make this, our Forty-seventh Annual Convention, a success, and

To our officers for the coming year we extend greetings and pledge them our loyal support..

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. HETZEL, JANE M. STEELE, MRS. W. D. ZIEGLER, MRS. CARL CESSNA.

Election of delegates to General Convention, Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Mrs. M. W. Taylor.

Alternates, Mrs. S. M. Lesher, Mrs. J. M. Herbst.

Invitation to meet at Sioux City extended by Rev. F. Heilman. Accepted.

Installation of officers, Dr. C. N. Swihart.

Offering, \$4.65.

Minutes.

"Twilight Hour," Miss Annette Bricker.

All business being transacted, the President declared the Forty-Seventh Annual Convention be closed.

Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JENNIE BOBO,
Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE SIXTH ANNUAL CONVEN-TION OF THE IOWA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

The convention was called to order Sunday afternoon, October 2, 1921, by President D. E. Mayne in St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Miller, of Davenport.

After a selection by St. Paul's Male Quartette, Dr. James N. Firth, for St. Paul's Brotherhood, in a few well chosen words welcomed the delegates and visitors to Davenport.

President D. E. Mayne responded on behalf of the State Brotherhood.

After another selection by the Male Quartette, the President introduced Dr. S. S. Waltz, of Chicago, Executive Secretary of the National Brotherhood. Dr. Waltz had just recently returned from a nine months tour of the world, having visited our missions in Japan, China and India. Dr. Waltz gave us a very interesting and instructive word picture of the foreign mission work, emphaszing its problems and accomplishments. This gave him a splendid opportunity to stress the big educational progarm of the National Brothehrood, pointing out that the future successful carrying on of all mission work depended on Chirstian Education.

Sunday evening the church was filled to overflowing by a very appreciative audience gathered to enjoy the special sacred concert by the choir and symphony orchestra of St. Paul's Church.

The business session of the convention was called to order Monday at 9:35 a.m., by President D. E. Mayne. Brief devotional service was conducted by R. M. C. Rohlf, President of Local Brotherhood.

Officers present: President, D. E. Mayne, Newton, Iowa; Corresponding Secretary, Fred Reeve, Newton, Iowa; Recordings Secretary, A. M. Butler, Davenport, Iowa; and Treasurer D. A. Gaston, Fort Madison, Iowa.

| CITY | DELEGATES | MINISTERS |
|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Burlington | - | S. M. Lesher |
| Clinton | Geo. Rehwoldt | J. S. Leamer |
| Council Bluffs | | C. J. Ringer |
| Davenport | H. A. Mohl | J. A. Miller |
| Des Moines | E. Hetzel | A. B. Leamer |
| Fairfield | J. E. Johnson | |
| Fort Madison | D. A. Gaston | John J. Gent |
| Newton | Chas. Chriswell | W. H. Blancke |
| Nevada | | C. N. Swihart |
| Princeton | Wm. Hebley | M. A. Getzendaner |
| Sioux City | C. F. Manhold | |
| Tipton | | P. A. J. Beulow |
| Webster City | J. F. McDonald | J. M. Herbst |

Visitors

Dr. S. S. Waltz, Chicago. Rev. H. D. Hoover, Carthage, Ill. Rev. E. C. Harris, Sterling, Ill.

R. M. Rohlf, John Tork, Henry Nabstedt, F. A. Johnson, J. C. Mohl of Davenport, Iowa.

Minutes of last annual meeting were read and approved after being corrected to show Rev. J. M. Herbst of Webster City as having been present.

President appointed the following committee on Resolutions: J. J. Gent, C. J. Manhold, J. M. Herbst.

President appointed the following auditing committee: J. F. McDonald, E. Hetzel, J. C. Mohl. Secretary reported no bills or communications.

Old business laid over in resolution adopted at last meeting was deferred until the afternoon session in the hope that more delegates would come in.

Under the head of new business the question was brought up as to whether a better attendance could be secured by holding the convention at some other season of the year, as, for instance, during the summer months. Moved and seconded that it is essential that the time of the Brotherhood Convention be changed and the time be left in the hands of the Executive Committee. After some further discussion the motion was carried.

| Treasurer reported as follows: Balance on hand November 9, 1920 | 8 71 |
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| Received during year | 157.60 |
| Total\$ | |
| Balance on hand October 3, 1921 | |

Moved and seconded treasurer's report be referred to auditing committee. Carried.

Election of officers. Motion made and seconded that present officers be re-elected. Motion put from floor by Rev. J. M. Herbst and carried unanimously. After some further general discussion convention adjourned for noon recess.

Delegates and visitors met at the church at 1:00 p.m. and were taken on a sight-seeing auto tour through the residence and business districts of Davenport and through the grounds of the Rock Island Arsenal. Here brief visits were made to the National War Museum and to one of the tank shops.

Convention re-convened at 3:45 p. m.

Devotional services were conducted by H. A. Mohl of Davenport.

A number of additional delegates, ministers and visitors were present but owing to the lateness of the hour and the volume of business still to come before the convention, time was not taken to enroll these newcomers.

At this time Dr. Hoover, President of Carthage College, and Rev. E. C. Harris of Sterling, Ill., addressed the convention on the subjects, "Our College" and "Our Mission Field, Its Needs," respectively.

Both speakers handled these subjects very capably and the addresses were very interesting and instructive.

The Resolutions Committee reported the following which were adopted as read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

1. Whereas, Resolution No. 3 adopted at the 1920 Convention recommended the adoption of the constitution recommended by the Washington convention of the United Lutheran Brotherhood,

Be It Resolved, That the proposed constitution be acted upon at this convention before adjournment.

2. Whereas the program of the United Lutheran Brotherhood is making such a general appeal to the men of the church,

Be it Resolved, That we herewith heartily re-endorse the aim and purposes in the educational program of that organization.

3. Whereas, the offer of the Rockefeller Foundation is of vital importance to present and future life and development of Carthage College and thru it to the entire Lutheran Church on its territory, therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods pledges our utmost effort to cary to a successful issue the Carthage College Cash Campaign for \$100,000.00.

4. Whereas St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Davenport, Iowa, the Rev. J. A. Miller, pastor, has so royally entertained us—the sixth annual convention of the Lutheran Brotherhood of the Synod of Iowa, therefore be it resolved, that we hereby extend a vote of thanks to the pastor and congregation for their generous hospitality.

5. Whereas our officers have labored so untiringly for the success of the organization and we are so greatly indebted to them for service rendered,

Be it resolved that we extend to them here with a a vote of thanks.

JOHN J. GENT C. J. MANHOLD J. M. HERBST

Carrying out the recommendation contained in Resolution No. 1, motion was made and seconded that the proposed Synodical Brotherhood Constitution be adopted at this time. Carried as amended to adopt seriatim. Secretary read the proposed constitution and it was adopted article by article as read. It was then regularly moved, seconded and carried that the constitution as a whole be adopted.

Motion made and seconded that we adopt a By-Law fixing the dues of the Synodical Brotherhood at 15 cents per member per month, of which 10 cents per month goes to the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church and 5 cents to the Synodical Brotherhood. After some discussion an amendment was offered to insert the word "active" before the word "members" and the By-Law as adopted is:

The dues of the Synodical Brotherhood shall be 15 cents per active member per month, of which 10 cents shall go to the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church and 5 cents to the Synodical Brotherhood.

In order to make our Executive Committee conform to our new constitution, it was moved, seconded and carried that we return to the head of elections and proceed to elect three members of the executive committee, one for term of one year, one for two years and one for three years.

Motion made and seconded that secretary east ballot for Rev. C. N. Swihart for one year, Rev. Gent for two years, and Rev. Getzendaner for three years. Carried. Secretary east the ballot as directed and they were declared elected to membership on the Executive Committee for the stated terms.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the reading of the President's report was dispensed with and the secretary was directed to spread same on the minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

My dear Brethren in Christ:

It is with a little bit of hesitancy that I am making this report today, because of the fact that I feel that we failed miserably in reaching or even trying to reach the goal that we set at the beginning of this year. We cannot trace this failure to any one thing or individual, but if I were asked for the cause, I would say that it was a combination of causes, the chief of which was the lack of real Christian interest in the program of the Brotherhood and the absolute indifference of the ministry and laymen of the church along Brotherhood lines.

When I was elected to the Presidency at Newton, Iowa, I agreed to become the head of this organization only upon one condition, i. e., that I could expect the co-operation of all the laymen and ministers of all the churches. This was virtually promised me, so we set about planning our program. This program was set up along the lines as outlined by the National Brotherhood, Christian Education. In talking with several laymen I found that they could not understand the program as outlined. I then called a meeting at Des Moines of a committee to plan ways and means to put the program before the laymen of the various congregations. It was decided to hold a conference at the various congregations. It was decided to hold a conference at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in March. This was done and we sent special invitations to all the congregations urging their men to be present at this meeting. We spent considerable time and money trying to interest the ministry and laymen in this conference. When the time came we had just a few men present, outside of the men from Cedar Rapids. Only nine congregations out of thirty responded. One congregation that was within forty miles of Cedar Rapids with an interurban car line running into Cedar Rapids every two hours, didn't even think enough of our efforts to have either their pastor or a delegate present. Is it any wonder that we failed? The conference was a success to those that were present. I am glad to report three new Brotherhoods organized as a result of this conference. These are Ft. Madison, Waterloo and Nevada.

We are sorry to report that Dubuque and Clinton have disbanded because of lack of "man power." Our prayer is that they will reconsider and get back into real work for the Master again.

In closing this report I wish to make a plea for a closer walk with the Master so that we will realize our responsibility and will shoulder that responsibility and carry it to a successful end. I will admit that this year has been very discouraging to the officers of the Brotherhood because of the indifference manifest, especially amongst the ministry of the church this past year, but our prayer is that for the year 1921-1922 everyone will get behind the program of the Brotherhood and the officers with their co-operation and prayers and make the year the best in the history of the church. Let us all work and pray and resolve with God to do our very best and then we will have a better report for our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. MAYNE, President

Convention adjourned with Lord's Prayer to reassemble at Chamber of Commerce at 7 p. m., for banquet arranged by Local Brotherhood.

At 7:45 p.m. the doors of the dining room at the Chamber of Commerce were thrown open to an enthusiastic crowd of men and women to the number of 192. Music was rendered by St. Paul's orchestra during serving of the banquet.

At the conclusion of the banquet, Toastmaster R. M. C. Rohlfs, after a few well chosen words, opened the evening program by introducing Prof. Herbert Meis, who rendered some very beautiful vocal selections.

Our re-elected President Mr. Mayne, was then called upon. He again called attention to the tremendous task of Christian Education which confronts the church today and the Brotherhood has an important part to play in the carying out of this task. After a couple of selections by St. Paul's Male Quartette the speaker of the evening was introduced, Rev. Andreas Bard, D. D., of Kansas City, Mo. His masterful address on "Ideals Worth While" will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to hear him. It served as a fitting climax to the most enthusiastic Brotherhood Convention ever held in the Iowa Synod. Regrets were heard on all sides that more of our laymen could not find the time or the inclination to attend these conventions to receive the inspiration that could be gotten from such men as Dr. Bard and the other wonderful speakers whom we have just had with us.

Thus closed the Sixth Annual Convention of The Iowa Synodical Brotherhood.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. BUTLER, Secretary

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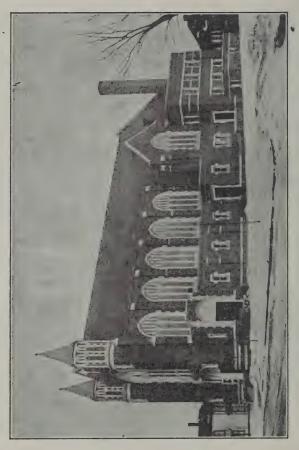
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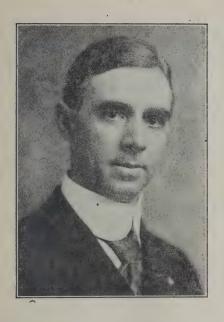
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The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa convened in its 68th annual convention at Trinity Lutheran Church, Sioux City, Ia., Rev. J. Frank Heilman, D. D., pastor, on October 10, 1922, 7:45 P. M.

The Liturgical Service was conducted by the pastor of the church. The Rev. J. S. Leamer, president of the Synod, delivered the Synodical sermon on the text, II Timothy, 1:7, "For God has not given us the spirit of Fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

Wednesday, October 11, 9 A. M.

The Liturgical Service of Confession and Absolution was conducted by the Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., president of the Synod. The Communion Sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. M. Herbst of Iowa Falls, on I Corinthians, 11:26. "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come."

The Communion Service was conducted by Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., assisted by Rev. C. Rollin Sherck, D. D., and Rev. J. M. Herbst.

The Women's Missionary Society united with the members of the Synod in this service.

First Session

The regular session of the Synod opened Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, following the Communion Service, in regular form, Pres. J. S. Leamer presiding.

Secretary read Roll Call of Ministerial and Lay delegates.

By common consent it was agreed to listen to the reports of the several trustees of institutions and the reports of the boards of the United Lutheran Church.

Report of the trustees of Tabitha Home was read by C. J. Ringer, D. D., and a motion prevailed that the report be accepted.

TABITHA HOME

The Board of Trustees of Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebr., held two meetings at the home this year. Your trustee attended both meetings. The first was held on the regular date of the annual meeting, May 9th, 1922. At this meeting Superintendent Rev. E. Walter, and the Treasurer Rev. J. F.

Krueger, gave their annual reports, which showed good results for the year; and the other routine business was transacted. At this meeting a new constitution was adopted; in which the date of the annual meeting was changed from the second Tuesday of May to the second Tuesday of September; and the fiscal year now closes July 31, instead of March 31st.

In conformity with the new constitution and date of meeting, the trustees held the second meeting on September 19th. At this meeting the superintendent and treasurer made supplementary reports for the intervening four months, which makes this report to cover a period of sixteen months.

The superintendent's report showed that Tabitha is performing a true mission of love. During the year the home cared for 48 children and 52 aged; at the present time the home has 44 aged and 37 children. Some of the aged are helpless and need special care. During the year ten of the aged have gone to their heavenly home. Worthy applicants can not be received for lack of room.

The treasurer's report covering the period from April 31, 1921 to July 31, 1922, showed—receipts of \$45,629.50; disbursements \$44,486.91 Balance \$1,142.59.

The balance sheet of March 31, (by conservative estimate) showed the value of the home, including land, buildings and equipments at \$104,161.00.

The time has come when Tabitha must enlarge; The great need of the home is a fire proof building for the orphans; then the whole of the present building can be devoted to the aged. With this great need confronting the home, action was taken by the board of trustees at the last meeting looking toward the securing of the much needed building; a committee was appointed to secure tentative plans for same.

We heartily commend Tabitha to our people and churches as an institution of love and mercy, and worthy of their liberal support and make the following recommendations:

- 1. We recommend that the synodical apportionment for the support of the Home for the ensuing year be 10 cents per member. Also that the Synodical treasurer is hereby instructed to send the money direct to J. F. Krueger, treasurer.
- 2. We heartly approve of the action of the trustees of the home in looking toward the erection of a new fire proof building for the orphans.
- 3. We recommend that our churches give the home an opportunity of securing funds for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER.

Just at this time a motion prevailed that all of the representatives of the boards of the United Lutheran Church and the several institutions be received as Advisory members of Synod.

Motion prevailed that Rev. F. J. Ellman, pastor of Emanuel Lutheran Church in Sioux City, Iowa, and Rev. Oscar N. Olson, pastor of Augustana Lutheran Church of Sioux City, Iowa, be received as advisory members of Synod.

Rev. E. Walter then spoke in behalf of Tabitha Home, asking the Iowa Synod to co-operate in the erection of a new building for the Home.

Report of the Trustee of Western Theological Seminary was read by A. B. Leamer, D. D., andon motion was adopted.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



We are glad to state to the Synod that our Seminary has a permanent home at a cost of \$35,000. It is a fine palatial residence of sixteen rooms, the original cost of which was at least \$100,000. It has a garage and caretaker's home that originally cost \$18,000. Along with these buildings we acquired practically all of the furnishings, \$8,000 worth of furniture, rugs, etc., have been sold reducing the cost to \$27,000. From additional receipts subscribed for a Seminary building this debt has been reduced to \$15,500. About the buildings are the grounds covered with immense elms, oak and evergreen trees, beautiful flower gardens and trailing vines. The buildings and grounds were dedicated on October 10, 1922. The Rev. F. G. Gotwald, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, delivered the address. Dr. C. S. Harman, president of the board of trustees of Midland College performed the services of dedication.

There are eleven students enrolled in the Seminary this year. The Seminary faculty has been requested to put on a campaign for candidates for the ministry and to this end are asking the congregations of this Synod to make this the topic for their father and son banquets that they will hold during the winter.

The calling of Dr. J. F. Krueger to the presidency of Midland College has necessitated some change in the arranging of classes and teachers. Dean Holmes Dysinger and Dr. Klotsche have assumed the additional teaching made necessary because of this so that our overhead expense in the institution will be no greater than it was this year.

All in all the Seminary has had a good year and we are confident that the future will bring to this institution increasing prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,
A. B. LEAMER,
F. B. MANHOLD,
Trustees.

Following the adoption of the report, Prof. J. F. Krueger, Ph. D., President of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary, spoke breifly on the needs of the school as follows:

Brethren of the Iowa Synod. I do not stand before you as the representative of Midland College at Fremont, Nebraska. We realize fully that the Iowa Synod is located on the territory of Carthage College, and that it is intensely interested in the welfare of this institution of learning. I want to assure you that the most friendly relationship exists between Midland College and Carthage College. We rejoice over the splendid success of Carthage College under the able leadership of its beloved president, Dr. Hoover.

I would like to have you think of me as a professor in the Western Theological Seminary, the school of the prophets which has always been supported loyally by the members of this Synod and which has furnished one fourth of the pastors now on the roll of the Iowa Synod.

We have just come from the celebration of a service which will always be remembered as one of the most memorable events in the history of the Lutheran church of the Middle West, the dedication of the new property of the Western Theological Seminary at Fremont, Nebraska.

When the Western Seminary was established by the former General Synod at Atchison, Kansas, it had no buildings of its own. The Seminary was given recitation rooms in the main building of the College. After a number of years the Seminary purchased the commodious residence of the late Senator from Kansas, John J. Ingals. This building for a number of years proved adequate for the needs of the institution.

When the General Synod established Midland College and the Western Seminary at Atchison, it was convinced of the fact that Kansas would become the center of Lutheranism in the Middle West. However, in the course of time, it became manifest that there were only 25,000 confirmed members of the Lutheran church in Kansas, while there were 85,000 confirmed Lutherans in Nebraska. When, after careful and prayerful consideration, the College was moved to Fremont, Nebraska, very little was said about the Seminary. It was merely decided to locate it temporarily at Fremont. The Board finally passed the resolution to locate the inscritution permanently at Fremont. Plans were made at once for erecting a suitable building for the Seminary. Just at this time a proposition was made to the Board to purchase the home of a Fremont millionaire for Seminary purposes. This property is located on the Lincoln Highway in one of the most beautiful parts of Fremont. The home and the grounds, comprising two city blocks, have always been one of the show places of the city. In the summer, when the trees, shrubbery and flowers are in bloom, the place is a veritable paradise. The property represents a value of not less than \$150,000.00. The Board succeeded in purchasing the home for the low amount of \$35,000.00. The main building has about twenty rooms. One of the rooms has been

changed into a beautiful chapel. Two rooms are being used for recitation purposes. There are sufficient rooms for a lounging room, a reception room and living rooms for the students. A part of the building is occupied by Dean Dysinger and his family. A story and a half brick garage is being used for library purposes. The Western Seminary has secured one of the most beautiful Seminary properties in the U. L. C.

During the past year the Rev. Carl G. Aue, D. D., gave to the Seminary the sum of \$1000.00 in memory of his only son, Luther Aue, who died during the World War. This fund is to be known as the Luther Aue Memorial Library Fund. The interest on this money is to be used for the purpose of books for the Seminary Library. Grace Lutheran church of Hooper, Rev. R. W. Livers, pastor, gave the sum of \$80.00 as a Loan Fund for needy students. Gifts of this kind are greatly appreciated by the Seminary.

In the past the Western Seminary has not raised large sums of money within the Iowa Synod. However, at the meeting of Synod in 1921 a resolution was passed to inaugurate a campaign for funds for the Western Seminary before the end of the year 1923. May we ask the Synod to take steps to carry out this resolution by appointing a committee to set a definite time for this campaign and to co-operate with the faculty of the Seminary in inaugurating the campaign.

The crying need of our church at the present time is for more men for the ministry. When the sainted Dr. Day, after long years of service in the foreign mission field in Africa, returned to the United States, he was in a delirium as his ship approached the shores of his native country. Even at this time he thought of the vast mission field and time and again he called out: More men wanted, more men wanted, fill up the ranks, fill up the ranks. This is the cry which ought to be raised by your Synod, also. May we suggest that your Synod appoint a committee to make arrangements for Father and Sons banquets in the different congregations. At these banquets the question of more men for the ministry ought to be presented to the young men of your Synod. The Western Seminary will be glad to have a representative of the Institution to present this cause. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into His vineyard.

F. G. Gotwald, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, then spoke in behalf of education and of Carthage College, Midland College and Western Theological Seminary.

Session adjourned on motion, with prayer by Rev. Fred Ross Shirck of Ottumwa.

Second Session

The second session of the Synod opened Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, being called to order by President J. S. Leamer, D. D., and opened with prayer by Rev. G. K. Mykland.

President J. S. Leamer, D. D., then read his annual report. On motion report was referred to the Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Brethren of the Synod:

I herewith submit for your consideration a report of my official acts for the year just closed.

Resignations.

In October 1921 Rev. Mark A Getzendaner resigned the Princeton—Pleasant Valley Charge effective Nov. 1st, 1921.

December the 1st 1921 Rev. F. H. Saeman resigned the Iowa Falls congregation effective Jan. 1st, 1922.

On March 1st 1922 Rev. P. A. J. Buelow resigned at Tipton to take effect April the first.

In June 1922 Rev. George N. Mendenhall, Ph. D., resigned the North Liberty charge effective Sept. 1st.

Aug. 12th, 1922, Rev. W. D. Zigler resigned the Dubuque pastorate effective Sept. 1st.

September the fifth Rev. J. M. Herbst resigned at Webster City effective Oct. 1st, 1922.

Calls Accepted.

Nov. 1st, 1921, Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner became pastor of the New Mission, St. Mark, in West Davenport.

June 1st, 1922, Rev. J. W. Peterson became pastor of the Mission at Missouri Valley.

Aug. 1st, 1922, Rev G. K. Mykland became pastor of the new Congregation at Manly.

Oct. 1st, 1922, Rev. J. M. Herbst became pastor of the Mission at Iowa Falls.

Dismissals.

Rev. F. A. Saeman, Jan. 3d, 1922, to the Synod of Ohio.

Rev. P. A. J. Buelow, May 17th, 1922, to the Synod of Illinois.

Rev. F. D. Ziegler, Sept. 8th, 1922, to the Synod of Illinois.

Rev. F. J. Howard, Sept. 15, to the Synod of Michigan.

Rev. G. N. Mengendhall, Ph. D., Sept. 16th, to the Synod of Nebraska.

Rev. Carl A. Sundberg, Oct. 10, to the Synod of Ohio.

Installations.

Rev. Paul R. Clouser, the Valley Junction Charge, Dec. 27th 1922. The Revs. J. F. Seibert, W. H. Blancke, A. B. Leamer and P. J. Gerberding, taking part.

Rev. Leland H. Lesher, the Waterloo congregation, January 29th, 1922, by the Rev. S. M. Lesher.

Rev. I. O. Miller, the Pleasant Valley charge, Mar. 19, 1921. Rev. M. A. Getzendaner assisted the president of Synod.

Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner, the St. Mark Mission, Davenport, July 2nd, 1922. Rev. J. A. Miller assisted the president.

Licenses Issued.

On Oct. 12th, 1921, according to instructions from the Synod I issued a license to R. Lee Kirkland for one year.

In February, 1922, J. W. Petersen, a senior in the Western Theological Seminary, informed me that he had received and accepted a call to the new Mission at Missouri Valley, that he was expecting to preach for them as often as possible during the rest of the school year and asked if it were possible for me to grant him a lecense. It took up the matter with Examining Committee, they were favorable and I granted him a license. He will appear for ordination at this Synod.

June the 1st Herbert Wyandt, a senior in Wittenberg Theological Seminary began as a supply at Ely, I granted him a license for the summer. He has returned to finish his work at the seminary.

Restored to the Ministry.

In the year 1915 the Rev. F. G. Howard, a member of the Iowa Synod, desiring to enter secular work surrendered his ordination papers to Dr. W. H. Blancke, the president. Early in the summer he wrote to me that he was desirous of taking up work in the Church and asked that his papers be returned. The matter was taken up with the Examining Committee and he was restored to the ministry.

Corner Stone Laying.

On the 26th of Feb., 1922, the corner stone was laid for the new St. Mark's church, 2367 West Third Street, Davenport. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mark A. Getzendener.

On the 6th of August 1922 the corner stone was laid for new church at Iowa Falls. Rev. Paul J. Gerberding, Missionarsy Superintendent, assisted by Revs. J. M. Herbst and G. K. Mykland conducted the service.

New Congregations.

On May 14, 1922, the St. Mark Church of Davenport was organized with about one hundred members.

On the 31st of March, 1922, the Manly English Lutheran Church of Manly was organized, with about one hundred members.

These congregations are making application for admission to this Synod.

The State Luther League.

The Annual Convention was held in Council Bluffs June 16-18 1922. Your president attended as the official representative of your body. It is the desire

of the State League to be more closely associated with the Synod. There will be a representative from the League at this meeting of Synod who will be given a hearing when it is convenient.

Convention of Presidents.

The Convention of Presidents of all the constituent synods of the U. L. C. was held in Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 31st. and Feb. 1st. 1922. It was indeed an interesting session, and many things were discussed. As there was quite a full report given in The Lutheran, I will take no time to speak of it here.

A Letter to Congregational Treasurers.

In the early part of the summer, Hon. U. S. Alderman, a member of the Executive Committee sent a letter to each treasurer asking that they might sent benevolences to our state treasurer monthly, as is constitutional. Six replies were favorable, four unfavorable, and fourteen made no replies at all. This is a matter that ought not only be urged but be insisted upon.

Last Year's Resolutions.

Item six, pake 26, of last year's Minutes needs some attention. If your officers had lived up to that action this year, it would have worked a hardship on some of our missionaries. The rule is all right, but our congregations will have to see that the treasurer has the money to meet pressing needs.

Carthage College

Asks that the Iowa Synod set apart the Day of Prayer for Colleges for the purpose also of making an offering to our college in this time of great need. They propose to prepare programs for that occasion, to be used by the Sunday Schools and the congregations, giving them free to all who will use them.

Nachusa Orphanage.

Is petitioning the U. L. C. to give them as their territory the Eastern Iowa Conference. This seems the reasonable thing to do as we have in the Eastern part of the State been interested in Nachusa as our home and Iowa is well represented by children in this orphanage.

Home Mission and Church Extension Headquarters.

You no doubt all know that at the Washington Convention it was voted to make Chicago the headquarters for this Board. In a late edition of The Lutheran it was proposed to change this to Philadelphia, Pa. Many of the Western Synods have taken action in this matter, making protest against the change. It might be well to consider this matter.

Among the Churches.

Burlington has done some improving in her church property, seeking more light and heat. Cost \$400.00.

Manly has bought and moved a church and is fixing it up and will be ready to dedicate ere long. They have also decided to buy a parsonage.

Fort Madison is building a parish house, bought new carpet and are installing a new heating plant, Cost \$3500.00.

Iowa City has made quite extensive repairs, redecorating interior of the church, new side walks. Cost \$1500.

Waterloo has increased her membership 64%. Doubled the Sunday School in attendance and offering and paid \$300. on debt and improvements.

Iowa Falls is making progress with their new building and will have a fine plant when done.

Thanking the members of the Synod of Iowa for all past favors and courteous treatment, I am,

Very truly

J. S. LEAMER,

President of the Synod of Iowa.

Motion prevailed that Synod adjourn until 2:30 P. M.

Synod re-convened at 2:30 P. M., called to order by President Leamer. The president then appointed the following committees.

COMMITTEES

- 1. President's report—C. J. Ringer, D. D., Rev. S. M. Lesher, J. A. Miller.
 - 2. Resolutions-Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, Rev. J. A. Miller.
- 3. Letters and Papers—Rev. J. M. Herbst, Rev. Paul J. Gerberding, Nicholas Hansen.
 - 4. Conferences-Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth, Rev. J. J. Gent.
 - 5. Vacancies-Rev. H. B. Shank, Rev. M. A. Getzendaner.
 - 6. Claims—Rev. I. O. Miller, Rev. Leland Lesher, E. C. Foster.
- 7. Calendar—Rev. J. O. Simon, D. D., Rev. Paul Clauser, H. M. Wherry.
 - 8. Absentees—Rev. G. K. Mykland, J. L. Sawyer.
 - 9. Inner Missions-Rev. W. H. Blancke, D. D., Arthur Dean.

The Statistical Secretary, C. N. Swihart, D. D., gave the statistical report of Synod. A motion prevailed that the report of the statistical secretary be received and placed on file.

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Report of the Calendar Committee was read by Rev. J. O. Simon, D. D., and adopted.

REPORT OF CALENDAR COMMITTEE

Speakers for Synodical Convention, 1923.

Tuesday evening. President's Sermon, Rev. C. N. Swihart, D. D.

Wednesday, 9:00 A. M., Holy Communion. Rev. Fred Ross Shirck, Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner.

Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Services under auspices Women's Missionary Society.

Thursday, 7:30 P. M. Ordination Service. Rev. A. B. Leamer, D. D., Rev. C. Rollin Shirck, D. D., Alternate.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF IOWA MISSION FUND

To the officers and members of the Home Missions Board of Iowa.

Greetings.

| Your treasurer begs leave to submit the following repo | rt: |
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| Amount on hand Oct. 1, 1921 | 198.66 |
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Report of the Historian and Archivist read by A. B. Leamer, D. D., was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN AND ARCHIVIST

The records and documents of the Synod that are in the possession of this office are in the study of St. John's Lutheran Church of Des Moines; are in good condition and accessable to anyone who desires to use them.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEAMER.

The Synod then turned to the head of election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President-C. N. Swihart, D. D.

Secretary-Rev. J. J. Gent.

Treasurer-Lee D. Koser.

Statistical Sec'y-Rev. Leland Lesher.

Members of Executive Committee—J. O. Simon, D. D.; Rev. J. H. Herbst; Hon. U. S. Alderman; C. F. Manhold.

Trustee-Western Theological Seminary-A. B. Leamer, D. D.

Trustee—Nachusa Orphanage—Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth, 1924, Rev. Arthur Dean, 1923.

Trustee—Nachusa Orphanage—Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth, 1924, Mr. Mission Committee—C. N. Swihart, D. D.; A. B. Leamer, D. D.; W. H. Blancke, D. D.; Geo. A. Klove; Lee D. Koser.

Ministerial Education Committee—C. N. Swihart, D. D.; C. R. Shirck, D. D.; F. J. Fuestal.

Examining Committee—Holmes Dysinger, D. D., 1923; Frank Heilman, D. D., 1924; T. F. Weiskotten, 1923; C. J. Ringer, D. D., 1924; J. S. Leamer, D. D., 1925; Rev. Fred Ross Shirck, 1925.

Motion prevailed that the preliminary report of the Committee on Ministerial Candidates be accepted and that Rev. Ivan O. Miller and Rev. G. K. Mykland be received into membership of the Synod.

The report of the Mission Committee was then read by Rev. Paul J. Gerberding, B. D., Secretary, and on motion was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE MISSION COMMITTEE

Dear Brethren:

"God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform: He plants His footsteps in the sea, And rides upon the storm."

The year just passed has been a remarkable one in a number of ways. It has been a very trying year yet one of great progress. The industrial conditions caused by the miners and railroad shopmens strikes have caused much uneasiness and hardship among our Missions, yet they are heroically "pressing on" to the greater things "just beyond."

St. Paul's of Ft. Madison has made commendable progress. The Sunday School has grown to the number of 175 and 17 new members were added to the congregation. A modern equipped building 40 x 80 feet has been built

and the Brotherhood has done all of the work. This building is to be used for social purposes and the growing Sunday School, at a cost of \$1900. A new heating plant for the church and new building at a cost of \$1700., total debt \$5700. The congregation has paid its benevolence in full. Rev. John Gent is the energetic pastor.

The Princeton-Pleasant Valley Charge was vacant for some months but with the coming of Rev. I. O. Miller as pastor the work has continued to flourish. The country congregation has united with the one in Princeton. Thirteen new members have been received and the pastor reports they will become self supporting next year.

St. Mark's of Davenport was organized on May 14, 1922. It reports 166 members with about 115 resident and active. The Sunday School numbers 172 with an average attendance of 151. A beautiful Gothic church with two battlement towers has been built at a cost of \$25,000. It is built of varigated color, wire cut face brick with Indiana sand stone trimming. The windows are of art glass, each one having a Christian emblem. The large front window represents Christ as the Good Shepherd. Rev. Mark Getzendaner is the pastor.

Grace congregation of Muscatine is still in the old church but from reports we learn that the much needed new one will become a reality in the spring. The pastor Rev. T. F. Weiskotten was called to Iowa Falls but his people would not let him go. It is commonly believed that his remaining on the field assures the new church and much progress for the future.

St. John's of Ely has been supplied again by student L. H. Wyandt during the summer. He reports eight new members and that the benevolence and current expenses were much more easily secured than last year.

The "one thing needful" to develop a strong congregation there is a resident pastor. North Liberty and Ely are again considering the question of uniting into one parish.

The Congregation at Iowa Falls has had much with which to contend. On January the first their pastor suddenly left for Ohio. The Superintendent assumed charge of the work as soon as he secured Student Joseph Peterson as a regular supply for Missouri Valley. The services have been interfered with on account of the moving of the old building and the erection of the new one. The new Gothic church with attractive modern basement is built of artistico mat faced brick with "back struck" joints, each of the three battlement towers is trimmed with Bedford cut stone. The auditorium and tower windows are of opalescent art glass and the furniture is fumed oak. It is the most beautiful church in the city and while it costs less than \$14,000 its real value is much more. It is hoped the dedication services can be held on October the 29th as this date is the fifth anniversary of the congregation.

The old chapel has been rebuilt into an elegant modern parsonage of

seven rooms and bath, thus giving the congregation a nice monthly income. \$17,000.00 will cover the entire cost of the church, parsonage and apartment. The total debt is \$6,000.00 including a previous loan of \$1,000.00 from the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. The congregation has paid its benevolence in full. Rev. J. M. Herbst becomes pastor on October the first.

St. Mark's of Ottumwa is progressing slowly. Rev. Fred Ross Shirck the pastor is encouraged in the work.

St. Luke's of Waterloo has completed a very successful year and we believe the future is more bright than at any time in her history. Nineteen new members have been received and the Sunday School has just been doubled. There is an average attendance of 70. \$100 have been paid on the debt to the Home Mission Board and \$200 on street paving. In addition the congregation has paid its benevolence in full. The unfinished corner rooms have been made into class rooms and the growing Ladies Society has taken up a definite program for Mission Study and activity. Rev. Leland H. Lesher is the pastor.

St. Mark's of Dubuque has made commendable progress. Twenty four new members were received and the apportionment has been paid in full. The pastor, Rev. W. D. Ziegler, has removed to Chicago and Rev. E. C. Sibberson of Topeka, Kansas has been called as his successor.

St. Paul's American of Missouri Valley is still flourishing. Rev. Joseph Peterson became pastor on June the first and is doing splendid work. On Movember the 20, 1921 this congregation of but a few months of age decided to buy a well located corner lot for their future church. There was a cottage of six rooms and a barn upon it. They sold the barn and moved the cottage to the other end of the lot. It has since been remodeled and made modern with a full basement and furnace. The men of the congregation made all the cement blocks and did most of the other work free. The property was bought at the low price of \$3300.00 cash in order to settle an estate and its present value is reported to be as \$7000.00 with a mortgage of \$1500.00. The Missionary-Aid Society numbers 43 and the congregation 99. The Sunday School has 74. The outstanding need of the congregation is a church building of their own. Their benevolence has been paid monthly in full.

The First Lutheran Church of Valley Junction is progressing as fast as can be expected, in the various departments of her activity. Twenty four new members have been received and the Sunday School has increased about 35%. \$666.66 have been paid on the church debt and the last payment of a like sum is to be paid on November the first. This will leave the congregation with but \$800.00 debt to the Church Extension Society and it is only three years old. Rev. Paul R. Clouser is the esteemed pastor.

Last but by no means least we come to our youngest child at Manly.

More than a year ago the superintendent investigated the field and found the Norwegians occupying the territory. He left the field to them without question. They gathered a congregation of 61 members, placed a pastor in charge and the future seemed very promising but one thing after another went wrong and they left the field. It was at this point that the superintendent was told of the situation and asked to take up the work. After receiving official word from the Norwegians that they had really given up the field he visited the place and held services. About everything was chaos but after spending part of four weeks among the people the abandoned congregation was saved and 50 others were added to it. Thus on March the 31, 1922 the Norwegian constitution was revised, some new officers were elected and the new and enlarged congregation of 111 members voted to unite with our Synod. They declared themselves self-supporting at a salary of \$2000.00. On August the first Rev. G. K. Mykland of Mt. Carroll, Ill., became pastor. The Norwegian Lutheran church building which was bought at Kenset, five miles north, has been moved to Manly and placed upon its high foundation thus giving them a bright modern basement. On October the 29th the happy congregation hopes to rededicate the remodeled church.

A cozy bungalow has been bought for a parsonage and the future looks most promising.

When we consider what has been done at Davenport, Manly, Missouri Valley, etc., it gives us some idea of the great possibilities in Iowa, even at this late day. We have but two missions and three self supporting congregations west-of Des Moines.

During the year the superintendent has added 140 adults and 24 children by baptism to our membership. His financial receipts were \$483.00 and his expenses \$440.54, leaving a balance of \$42.46, September the 30th.

The Mission Committee asks Synod for \$3000.00 with which to do its work during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
THE MISSION COMMITTEE,
By REV. PAUL J. GERBERDING, B. D.

Secretary

Following this J. F. Seibert, D. D., then spoke in behalf of the Board of Home Mission and the encouragement that the year's accomplishment should give to the Synod of Iowa.

Motion prevailed that the President send J. A. Behnke, Treasurer of the Synod, a telegram asking for the Treasurer's Report and that the election of Treasurer be held in abeyance until such report be received.

The report of the board of Foriegn Missions of the United Lutheran Rev. B. H. Dickey then spoke in behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church.

Adjourned at 6 P. M. with prayer by Rev. T. F. Weiskottem.

Evening Session

The evening session was opened at 7:45 P. M. and was in charge of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Third Session

Matin Services conducted by Rev. S. M. Lesher.

The session proper was opened with prayer by J. M. Herbst, A. B. Leamer, D. D., acting as president. Minutes of the previous session read and approved.

A letter from the Treasurer was received, stating that he would not be present at Synod but mentioned nothing as to report.

Motion prevailed to reconsider the action as to the election of the Treasurer and the Treasurer be elected at the present session of Synod.

Motion prevailed that the report of the Treasurer, upon arrival, be referred to the Executive Committee for its approval and auditing.

Synod then turned to the order of the business for the day, namely the Executive report.

Report of the Executive Committee was then read by the Secretary of Synod and motion prevailed that the report be adopted seriadem.

Mction prevailed that Section 7 of the Executive Committee's Report be referred to the Committee on co-ordination.

Motion prevailed that the report of the Executive Committee be adopted as a whole.

THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met in regular session, at Sioux City, Iowa, on the morning of October 11, 1922.

Members present were J. S. Leamer, D. D., President, Rev. J. J. Gent, Secretary, Mr. U. S. Alderman, Mr. C. F. Manhold, H. O. Simon, D. D.

The Secretary read the duties of the Executive Committee of the Synod. The President then approved the following committees:

- 1. The apportionment committee, U. S. Alderman, chairman, Rev. Paul Clouser, Mr. J. G. Huber.
- 2. Committee on investments, Mr. C. F. Manhold, Mr. L. D. Koser, Rev. J. O. Simon, D. D.
- (1) Motion prevailed that the recommendation of the executive committee of Carthage College that A. B. Leamer, D. D., of Des Moines, be elected to fill the vacancy on the college board.
- (2) Motion prevailed that at the request of the authorities of Carthage College, the Executive Committee recommend that an offering for the college be taken on the day of prayer for colleges keeping in mind that 25c per member would approximately cover their need.

- (3) In harmony with the action taken by the Synod in its last session, the Executive Committee recommends that a committee of three be appointed to co-operate with the faculty of Western Theological Seminary in the raising of funds for the operation of said school and that the pastors on the territory be urged to co-operate in this campaign, and that the suggestion of the Seminary's authorities that the local churches arrange a series of Father and Son's banquets at which a representative of the Seminary be present to present the cause of the Gospel Ministry.
- (4) The Executive committee recommends that its action in loaning St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church, Davenport, endorsed by the trustees of St. Paul's Evangelical Church, the amount of \$2000.00—\$1,000.00 from the Mission Fund and \$1,000.00 from the Wendt Fund, be approved by the Synod and that the Synod provide the interest for one year.
- (5) The Executive Committee in the interim appointed A. B. Leamer, D. D., to arrange the exhibit of the Synod of Iowa for the convention of the United Lutheran Church.
- (6) Motion prevailed that the petition of the Luther League of Iowa for \$150.00 to support its program be held in abeyance until such time as the Luther League can submit a definite program of the work for which they ask this money and we want the Luther League to feel the Synod is interested in its welfare and will do all in its power to encourage the Luther League in its undertakings. Furthermore, we welcome the suggestion of an interchange of delegates between the two organizations.
- (7) Motion prevailed that the report of the committee on apportionment of \$2.83 per capita for U. L. C.; \$1.05 for Iowa Synod; Totalling \$14,865.60 U. L. C.; \$5,372.48, Synod be accepted and the same be recommended to the Synod for the laying of the apportionment for the coming year.
- (8) The Executive Committee recommends that the Manly English Lutheran Church of Manly, Iowa, the Rev. G. K. Mykland, pastor, and St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran Church of Davenport, Iowa, Rev. M. A. Getzendaner, pastor, be received into the membership of the Synod at their request.
- (9) Your Executive Committee has received certain communications and cancelled checks from this Synod's special representative, Lee D. Koser, who acted in the behalf of the Synod in the sale of the Emanuel Church property, Des Moines, Iowa.

His cancelled checks and vouchers show that he has accounted for every cent that resulted from the sale of said property. It is the recommendation of your Executive Committee that the action of Brother Lee Koser be approved and that a vote of thanks be extended him from Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. GENT, Sec'y.

Mrs. A. B. Leamer was then introduced to the members of Synod and presented the greetings from the Woman's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa.

Motion prevailed that it is the sense of our Synod that the report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was heard with pleasare and that Synod assure that organization that it has our hearty co-operation in its endeavor.

Report of the trustee Carthage College read by Rev. S. M. Lesher and on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF CARTHAGE COLLEGE

Another year of the history of our College has been completed and the new year has already begun. We would present the following items of interest:

1—The college has been placed on approved list of Association of American Universities and also on that of the American Association of University Women.—The only Lutheran College in America on either of these lists. This is significant when considered in connection with the other lists upon which the name of Carthage appears.

2—A class of thirty was graduated June, 1922. The Rev. L. F. Gruber, D. D., Minneapolis, delivered the Commencement Address. The prospect is

for forty-five graduates this year.

- 3—Deficit last year was but \$5000.00, a large reduction over the former year.
- 4—Our faculty now consists of twenty-eight persons. These have attended seventy-three schools, (home and abroad), receiving fifty-six degrees, having taught in eighty institutions—a total of two hunderd ninety years, exclusive of five added this year. Twenty-three having taught at Carthage, a total of one hundred sixteen years.
- 5—The present student enrollment is in excess of three hundred. The Freshmen boys outnumber the Freshmen girls. Candidates for the Ministry show an increase over last year and will probably exceed the number of fifty.

7—Some specific additional expense is to be met.

- (a) Fire escapes costing about \$5000. We have tried for a year to avoid this expense and succeeded in reducing the number that was first ordered by the State fire marshal. However, state laws are stringent and mandatory as to the number and kind.
- (b) Larger water mains costing \$500, made absolutely necessary by additional buildings and greater use of water. (More students.)

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. LESHER, Trustee.

Dr. W. K. Hill then spoke of the splendid progress the College has made during the past year as follows:

REPORT ON CARTHAGE COLLEGE; HER PROGRESS AND HER PRESSING NEEDS

Everyone interested in Carthage College may rightly be proud of the progress she has made in the last ten or twelve years. Ten or twelve years ago the College had no standing whatever in the educational world. It is true that good work was being done and always had been done in at least some departments of the school, and the graduates we turned out were about as well equipped for life as the graduates of most larger schools. But our students going to the universities either for graduate or undergraduate work were at a distinct disadvantage. The educational world did not know us. Dr. Kendric C. Babcock, now Dean of the College of Liberal Arts of the University of Illinois, then Chairman of a committee acting under the Department of Education at Washington to appraise the efficiency of the colleges of the country had a short time before put Carthage on the list of fourth-rate schools, about as far down the scale as we could be and regarded a college at all. That same Dean Babcock last fall, as a member of the Association of American Universities, was active in having Carthage College put on the approved list of that extremely conservative and exclusive association. Approval by this Association is an honor which, I believe, is shared by no other Lutheran college. Carthage College also is the smallest college in the country to be thus honored. This recognition places us securely in the very highest class of small colleges in the country along with such well-known schools as Grinnell, Beloit, Oberlin, Knox, etc. Recognition by the Association of American Universities and by the American Association of University Women, and Carthage is the only Lutheran college recognized by either of these associations, opens the door of priviledge of our graduates in many ways. For example, club houses are maintained by these organizations in a number of national capitols and other important cities.. The privileges of these clubs are now open to our graduates. Also, because of this recognition, conservative schools like Columbia University and Harvard now accept our credits at par. A graduate of Carthage College can now enter the graduate schools of these universities on equal footing with their own graduates. At the present time we have graduate students in both of these universities.

I have mentioned only the most conservative bodies whose approval has been won by Carthage College in recent years, but there are many others. After careful inspection of our equipment, efficiency, and administrative policies, the University of Illinois placed us in the highest class of accredited colleges, Carthage being the fifth school in the State to be so recognized. We are also put in the highest class by the North Central Association and by the Illinois State Department of Public Instruction. We are members of the Association of American Colleges, the Federation of Illinois

Colleges, the American Council on Education and the American University Union. We are on the approved list of the Association of American Universities and the American Association of University Women, and this recognition has not been secured by any sort of political pull or display of wealth. These things cannot be won that way, and we certainly have no political pull and no wealth. They have been secured simply because we have been doing work that attracted attention. The educational world got interested, made our acquaintance and the recognition followed.

It is largely because of this recognition that our enrollment has been steadily increasing during recent years. This year we have the largest enrollment in the entire history of the College. At the present time it is 323, and will certainly run beyond 350 during the year. This is an increase of 20% over last year, and last year had a larger enrolment than any previous year by about the same percentage. Of these, 273 are in the College and 50 in the Academy. The Academy enrolment is diminshing rather uniformly, so that the increase in the College proper is greater than the actual figures indicate. At present there are 43 Seniors, 44 Juniors, 61 Sophomores, 110 Freshmen and 15 classed as specials. Of this goodly number, 199 are old students, and 124 are new. We have often been told in the past that 400 students would be all we could hope to have in the future, and we have said ourselves that that number would be about ideal. In another year we will have reached or passed it.

Another direct result of our present standing among educational authorities affects us financially. The LaVerne Noyes Estate, of Chicago, offers scholarships to ex-service men and to their decendents. Without any solicitation from us, five scholarships, or \$550 cash per year, have been assigned to us. Another foundation of New York City, the Harmon Foundation, has been organized to furnish loans to deserving students. Again, without solicitation, we were included in the benefits of this foundation, and this year \$1000 have been assigned to us for this purpose.

Some further statistics may be of interest. Forty young men are actually candidates for the Ministry. A considerable number of young women are also preparing for work in the foreign mission field. One hundred and four girls are living in Denhart Hall now, and teachers and maids enough to bring the total up to 118. Only one room in the whole dormitory is unoccupied. It is a single room and was engaged by a girl who so far has not reported.

North Hall is full and can accommodate only about one fourth of the boys who applied for rooms. Thirty-four boys are living there. There are only seventeen rooms; every room is occupied by two students. This does not include Dean Beiswanger's family, three of whom are also students in the College.

Thirteen states are represented in our student body; Pennsylvania,

Virginia, Washington, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Florida and Illinois.

At our Commencement last year, thirty students were graduated. Dr. L. F. Gruber, of St. Paul, delivered the Commencement address. Present prospects indicate that we will graduate a class of 45 this year. Two students who lack just one semester of completing their course expect to return the second semester and graduate with the class.

A few changes were made in the faculty this year, all of which promise to make for efficiency. This is especially true in the department of Modern Languages and department of Music. Our new musical director has been trained under Professor Christiansen, of St. Olaf, the leader of the famous St. Olaf Choir. Our faculty numbers 28. It represents a wide experience. We have attended 73 schools, at home and abroad, and have taught in 80 institutions. We are burdened with 56 degrees, and Dr. Hoover tells me that the sum total of all the years our faculty have taught reaches the formidable figure of 290 years.

The Needs Of The College.

- (1) We need more money for the general running expenses of the College. The endowment has not grown in equal measure with the growth of the student body and the increase in the cost of living and of college maintenance. Our actual deficit last year was \$5000.
- (2) We need money for new equipment, such as additional chairs. We are in need of one hundred new chairs at the present time. Our practice pianos are not adequate and are becoming hopelessly decrepit. We need library shelving, scientific equipment, office equipment, etc., etc.
- (3) We are greatly in need of more classrooms and larger. For instance, I have 75 Freshmen in my Inorganic Chemistry class. We have no science classroom large enough to seat them all. It is necessary that I take the class in two lecture sections, doubling my work with that class.
- (4) We badly need a boys' dormitory. Denhart Hall has brought us a larger and more select group of girls. A good boys' dormitory would have a similar effect. The boys, as a rule, want to live in the dormitory, but, as I said, we could accomodate only about one fourth of the applicants this year.
- (5) Certain unusual expenses must be met this year, which will add considerably to the difficulties of our budget. One of these was the placing of a larger water main on the campus. This was absolutely necessary because of the increased use made of our water supply as the number of buildings and the number of students increases. This cost \$500. Another item is the necessity of installing fire escapes. These will cost approximately \$5000. We have made every possible effort to avoid this additional expense, and have succeeded in reducing materially the original demand made by the State Fire Marshal, but we must put in the fire escapes and the

state laws are quite stringent and mandatory as to the number and kind.

The Status Of the Campaign For Funds.

Mr. Denhart's offer of \$200,000 was made in 1918. Subscriptions to meet this offer have been secured that total over \$200,000. Mr. Denhart's proposition was this: As fast as the money obtained from other sources was turned in, he would turn over an equal sum to the endowment fund, that is, as soon as these monies from other sources amounted to \$4000, he would turn over \$4000 up to his maximum of \$200,000. Of the money subscribed, the Church has collected about \$90,000, I believe, and Mr. Denhart has given an equal sum. It must not be forgotten, however, that this money has not actually been paid into the hands of the College Board; it is held in trust by Mr. Denhart, and whether we finally get it or not depends upon the successful issue of the campaign. The time limit is September 1, 1923. In the meantime, of course, the College is receiving the income on the amount Mr. Denhart has turned over.

The Rockefeller General Education Board's offer is as follows: It was made shortly after Mr. Denhart's offer, and their objective was to increase our endowment by \$600,000. We were endeavoring to add \$400,000 to our endowment. They said, in effect: make it \$600,000 and we will give \$175,000 of the additional amount needed; also, we will give \$10,000 to help meet current expenses while you are raising the extra money. This offer apparently added only \$25,000 to the amount to be raised by the College to meet Mr. Denhart's offer, However, Mr. Denhart has allowed the money raised by the College to be used to cancel the notes given by the Synods at the close of Dr. Sigmund's campaign for funds, and to pay the indebtedness of the College in existence when the offer was made, as well as the expenses of the campaign itself; so that the sum already secured to meet Mr. Denhart's offer, even if it does this in a manner satisfactory to him, will not amount to enough to secure the General Education Board's offer. It would lack about \$200.000. The local campaign in Hancock County must be at least measurably successful, and additional sums must be secured elsewhere in order to meet this.

Now, consider what the success of this campaign would mean to the College. I have briefly recounted a few of the things accomplished in the last ten years, matters of tremenduous significance in the educational world—all this while we have been handicapped with inadequate equipment, most of the time with utterly inadequate buildings, carrying a debt of from \$20,000 to \$30,000 and with an endowment of only \$250,000; also a very small student body, a large percentage of whom were given their tuition by the College for various reasons. With the campaign completed we start anew with a plant that could not be duplicated for less than \$500,000; a productive endowment of \$850,000; a student body of 400, at least, a much larger perpercent of whom are paying full tuition; and no debts. This being accom-

plished, you will have an institution that will rank with the best small colleges in the country, that is, with the best in the world, an institution of which any constituency can justly be proud.

W. K. HILL, Dean of the College..

Motion prevailed that Synod adjourn at 12:00 noon to meet promptly at 1:00 P. M.

Motion prevailed that a nominating committee to nominate the minor officers and committees be appointed. The President appointed the following committee—W. H. Blancke, D. D., Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth, W. W. Toole.

The report of the Committee on Communications was then read and or motion was placed on file.

COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

We, the committee on letters and communications have examined the matter submitted us and find:

First, there is to be a conference of the statistical secretaries, Saturday afternoon, October 21, 1922, at Zion Lutheran Church, Buffalo, N. Y., that the matter of securing reliable statistics be discussed. We recommend that Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., represent our Synod in the absence of our statistical secretary.

Second, we have a communication from a delegation of Lutherans attending the quadrennial convention of religious education, Rev. B. R. Lautz, D. D., Secretary, urging representation on the above council. We recommend such recommendation.

Third, and most important, we recommend that we join with the Pacific and other Synods of the west and middle-west in an emphatic protest against the attempt to nullify the action taken at Washington Convention of the U. L. C. whereby the headquarters of the Home Mission Board was to be located at Chicago, Ill., and that our Synodical delegates to the Buffalo Convention do their utmost to make this protest effective.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. HERBST, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education read by C. Rollin Sherck, D. D. It was adopted and placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION
The committee having in charge the distribution of Beneficiary Funds
reports as follows: We extended aid to the following named students:
Paul Schmidt, Maywood Theological Seminary, \$200.00, one hundred

and fifty of which was contributed by the Sunday School of Newton, Ia. through the pastor W. H. Blancke, D. D.; Joseph W. Peterson, Midland Seminary, \$250.00; Bruce Leamer, S. U. I., Iowa City, \$200.00; a total of \$850.00.

We recommend that Paul Schmidt be given \$150; Bruce Leamer, \$250; Maurice Lesher, \$250.00 and Edward Zuehlke, \$250.00 for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted, C. ROLLIN SHERCK,

Acting Chairman.

Session adjourned on motion with prayer by Rev. J. W. Peterson, to meet immediately in Ministerial Session.

MINISTERIAL SESSION

The Ministerial Session was called to order by A. B. Leamer, D. D., acting as president and was opened with prayer, by Holmes Dysinger, D. D.

Report of the Examining Committee was then given orally by Holmes Dysinger, D. D., and on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee beg leave to make the following report:

The President of the Synod put into the hands of your committee the letter of dismissal of Rev. G. K. Mykland, from the Synod of Illinois. He is at present pastor of our new congregation at Manly. A telegram also was received from Rev. W. E. Brinkman, President of the Pacific Synod, informing us that he has forwarded the letter of dismissal for Rev. I. O. Miller, who has recently become pastor of the Princeton charge. We recommend that these brethren be enrolled as regular members of the Synod.

Rev. Joseph W. Peterson from our Mission at Ottumwa, Iowa, a graduate of the Western Seminary, has been called as pastor of the mission at Missouri Valley and makes application for ordination. He has been before the committee for examination and consultation. We recommend that his request be granted and that he be ordained at the services Thursday evening.

In reference to R. Lee Kirkland, whose licensure expires with the meeting of this Synod, our information is that he has not received a call to a congregation within the Lutheran Church and his relations, therefore, with this Synod have ceased.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,

HOLMES DYSINGER
J. FRANK HEILMAN
S. M. LESHER

Adjourned with benediction by Rev. Fred Ross Shirck.

Fourth Session

Synod reconvened Thursday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock, with prayer by C. N. Swihart, D. D., A. B. Leamer, D. D., acting as President.

Motion prevailed that Dr. A. B. Leamer act as temporary Chairman until such time as the President of Synod be able to resume his duties.

Report of the committee on absentees read by Rev. G. K. Mykland and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ABSENTEES

Your Committee finds the following clerical members absent: Rev. A. J. Kissel, Rev. J. A. Lowe, and Rev. F. C. Urlaub.

We recommend that Rev. J. A. Kissel and Rev. J. A. Lowe be excused. That Rev. F. C. Urlaub be asked by the Secretary to give an excuse.

That Dr. Holmes Dysinger be excused before close of Synod.

Your Committee, G. K. MYKLAND J. L. SAWYER

Resolution of recommendation to the United Lutheran Church, offered by Rev. G. K. Mykland, adopted.

RECOMMENDATION TO UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

We, the Iowa Synod, would call attention to the Executive Committee of United Lutheran Church or to be referred to the proper committee, that arrangement be made with the Publication House to include the Common Service in the Hymns and Songs compiled by Harold Lewars:—

In order that the Hymnal may have a larger use in our churches, that it may help the smaller congregations and missions, if they so desire to secure a book at a smaller price and further that we may have a choice of books for our congregations.

That the secretary of Synod communicate these recommendations to the secretary of United Lutheran Church.

Report of the committee of vacancies read by Rev. H. B. Shank and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON VACANCIES

This committee begs to offer the following report:

Webster City became vacant October 1, 1922. The work is in fine shape. There is a good church and fine parsonage with no debt.

Tipton became vacant April 1, 1922. They also have a good church and parsonage without any debt. There is a splendid opportunity for constructive work.

North Liberty became vacant August 1922. Because of bank failure they are unable to call a man at the present time. This committee advises that North Liberty be asked to unite with Ely in forming a pastorate.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. H. B. SHANK.

'Report of the committee on President's report read by C. J. Ringer, D. D., and a motion prevailed to adopt it seriadem.

Motion prevailed that the report be adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your committee on President's Report have carefully examined the same. We wish to heartily commend him for the faithful performance of the duties of the office of president and the excellent service he has rendered to our church and Synod, and that we hereby express our appreciation of the same.

The special items calling for the action of the Synod:

- 1. In regard to the action of synod last year, as found on page 26, item 6, we recommend that said item be rescinded. Nevertheless that we heartly cooperate with the General Board.
- 2. In regard to the proposed plan of moving the headquarters of the Home Mission and Church Extension Board from Chicago to Philadelphia, Pa., we recommend that this Synod protest against such action and that we hereby instruct and request our delegates to the General Convention at Buffalo, N. Y., to oppose such action.
- 3. As to the items pertaining to Carthage College and Nachusa Orphanage, Synod has already acted upon same under the report of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER.

Report of committee on claims read by Rev. Ivan O. Miller and adopted.

REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE.

| Your committee begs to recommend the jayment of the follow | ring bills— |
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| Trinity Lutheran Church, Convention Expenses | \$25.66 |
| C. N. Swithart, D. D., Postage | 1.85 |
| Rev. M. A. Getzendaner, Last Year's Sect. Expense | |
| C. J. Ringer, D. D., Tabitha Trustee Expense | 10.08 |
| Clinton Bookbindery Co., Stationary | 8.25 |
| J. S. Leamer, D. D., President's Expense | 29.06 |
| Rev. John J. Gent, Secretary's Expense | |
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| Total | \$84.52 |

Respectfully submitted,

I. O. MILLER.

Report of committee on resolution read by Rev. T. F. Weiskottem, and adopted on motion.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

First, that the sincere thanks and appreciation of Synod be extended to the members of Trinity Church for the kindness and courtesy extended to Synod.

Second, to the members of the choir, also to the Normandene Singing

Society, we extend our thanks.

Third, that Synod expresses its appreciation to the various representatives of the Boards and Institutions of the Church for their interest in and presence at Synod and to the valuable information imparted.

> Respectfully submitted, T. F. WEISKOTTEN, J. A. MILLER.

Motion prevailed that a committee on jurisprudence be appointed, the same to look over the constitution and make a report at the next meeting of Synod as to such changes that might facilitate the business of Synod. President appointed the Executive committee as a committee on Jurisprudence with J. O. Simon, D. D., as chairman instead of the President of the Synod.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by W. K. Blancke, D. D., and adopted on motion.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Examining Committee.

Holmes Dysinger, D. D. 1923; Frank Heilman, D. D. 1924; Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, 1923; C. J. Ringer, D. D. 1924; J. S. Leamer, D. D. 1925; Rev. Fred Ross Shirck, 1925.

Ministerial Educational Committee.

C. N. Swihart, D. D.; C. Rollin Sherch, D. D.; Frank J. Fuestal. Mission Committee.

C. N. Swihart, D. D.; A. B. Leamer, D. D.; W. H. Blancke, D. D.; Geo. A. Klove; Lee D. Koser.

Trustee Tabitha Home.

Frank Heilman, D. D.

Trustee Nachusa Orphanage.

Arthur Dean, 1923; Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth, 1924.

Trustee Western Seminary.

A. B. Leamer, D. D., 1924.

Respectfully submitted, W. A. WOLGEMUTH. W. H. BLANCKE. At this time J. O. Simon, D. D., in a brief enthusiastic address extended an invitation to the Synod of Iowa, the Federated brotherhoods of Iowa and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to meet at Cedar Rapids in 1923.

On motion the Synod unanimously accepted Dr. Simon's invitation.

The report of the Inter-Mission Committee was read by W. H. Blancke, D. D., and a motion prevailed that it be referred to the Inter-Mission board of the United Lutheran Church for condensation, the same to be re-submitted at the next meeting of Synod.

The President, J. S. Leamer, D. D., then appointed the auditing committee as follows—C. F. Manhold, J. G. Huber, S. P. Simonsen.

Report of the Committee on Conferences read by Rev. W. A. Wolgemuth and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE

The Western and Eastern Conference met at Fremont, Nebr., in April, 1922. A splendid program was furnished by the college; the conference was note-worthy and the spirit excellent.

Respectfully submitted, W. A. WOLGEMUTH PAUL GERBERDING

Motion prevailed that \$5,0.00 be allowed the Treasurer for the coming year for stenographic expenses.

Motion to reconsider the motion as to a Sunday School Committee prevailed.

Motion as to the appointement of a special Sunday School Committee failed to carry.

The President then in accordance with Section 8 of the report of the Committee on Resolutions at the last year's session, appointed the following Committee on Co-ordination—C. N. Swihart, D. D., Rev. Paul Clouser, J. G. Huber.

A Resolution of attention was introduced by J. Frank Heilman, D. D .-

RESOLUTION OF ATTENTION

Resolved, that it is the sense of the Synod of Iowa that the congregation of the Synod should agreeably to the Provisions of the Constitution, Article 10, Section 1, defray the necessary expenses of the pastors incurred upon the attendance of Synod and Conferences.

Motion prevailed that the Resolution be adopted.

Motion prevailed that the matter of printing the minutes be left to the Secretary and the advertising be the same as last year with the addition of Tabitha Home and the picture of the pastor loci and of the Convention Church on the title page, and that the name of A. B. Leamer, D. D., be inserted in the ad for the "Lutheran" as its correspondent.

Motion prevailed that last year's recommendation of the Inter-Mission committee in its third last paragraph, namely that it be allowed \$25.00 if needed, be reaffirmed this session.

Motion prevailed that the Synod meet on the 2nd Tuesday in October 1923.

The action of the Ministerial Session was then read and approved.

Motion prevailed that the President of Synod be allowed \$50.00 for paper and stenographic expense for himself and secretary.

Minutes of the previous sessions read and approved. Motion prevailed that the minutes be adopted as a whole.

Motion prevailed that Synod adjourn to reconvene at 7:45 o'clock, to adjourn finally at the close of the evening session.

Adjournment with prayer by C. N. Swihart, D. D., with J. Frank Heilman presiding.

Closing Session

Ordination Service.

Thursday evening 7:45 o'clock. The Ordination Services were in charge of President J. S. Leamer, D. D., assisted by Frank Heilman, D. D., W. H. Blancke, D. D., Rev Fred Ross Shirck, and Secretary of Synod, Rev. J. J. Gent.

Dr. Blancke preached a very inspiring sermon on the theme of "Ambassadors of Christ", at the close of which Joseph W. Peterson was ordained to the holy ministry of the gospel.

At the close of the Ordination Service Synod was closed in regular form by President J. S. Leamer, D. D.

Report of the Auditing Committee approved by the officers of Synod.

A Co-operating Committee for Western Theological Seminary was appointed by the President—A. B. Leamer, D. D., Rev. S. M. Lesher, Rev. J. A. Miller.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct record of the proceedings of the 68th annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa held in Trinity Lutheran Church at Sioux City, Iowa, October 9-10-11. 1922.

JOHN J. GENT, Secretary. The following apportionment table was offered by the committee on systematical beneficence.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE (1922-23)

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| 2. | Cedar Rapids | 394 | 1115 | 414 | 1529 |
| 3. | Clinton | 385 | 1090 | 404 | 1494 |
| 4. | Council Bluffs | | 849 | 315 | 1164 |
| 5. | Davenport (St. Marks) | 100 | 283 | 105 | 388 |
| 6. | Davenport (St. Pauls) | 500 | 1415 | 525 | 1940 |
| 7. | Des Moines | 602 | 1703 | 632 | 2335 |
| 8. | Douds | 58 | 164 | 61 | 225 |
| 9. | Dubuque | 160 | 453 | 168 | , 621 |
| 10. | Ely | 54 | 153 | 57 | 210 |
| 11. | Fairfield | 217 | 614 | 228 | 842 |
| 12. | Fernald | 84 | 2 38 | . 88 | 326 |
| 13. | Fort Madison | 122 | 345 | 128 | 473 |
| 14. | Iowa City | 245 | 693 | 257 | 950 |
| 15. | Iowa Falls | 63 | 179 | 65 | 244 |
| 16. | Manly | 74 | 209 | 78 | 287 |
| 17. | Muscatine | 135 | 382 | 142 | 524 |
| 18. | Missouri Valley | 99 | 281 | 104 | 385 |
| 19. | Nevada | 260 | 736 | 273 | 1009 |
| 20. | Newton | 157 | 394 | 166 | 560 |
| 21. | North Liberty | 50 | 142 | 5 3 | 195 |
| 22. | Ottumwa | 79 | 224 | 83 | 307 |
| 23. | Oxford Junction | 74 | 209 | 78 | 287 |
| 24. | Princeton | 31 | 88 | 33 | 121 |
| 25. | Pleasant Valley | 22 | 62 | , 23 | . 85 |
| 26. | Sioux City | 397 · | 1108 | 417 | 1525 |
| 27. | Tipton | 67 | 190 | 70 | 260 |
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REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

| We, the undersigned Auditing Committee, have carefully checked all voureceipts and expenditures of J. A. Behnke, Treasurer of the Synod of Iowa, to Oct. 7, 1922, inclusive, and find same to correspond with the report as Treasurer to the Synod, footings of detailed report being as follows: Balance from Treasurer Synodical offering Lee D. Koser, Trustee | chers showing for period up made by said 235.25 37.45 2584.60 |
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BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORY

Officers.

President—W. W. TOOLE, Ottumwa.

Vice President—LEE D. KOSER, Iowa City.

Rec. Sec'y—HARRY G. LANGLAND, Nevada.

Cor. Sec'y—ROY NELSON, Ottumwa.

Treasurer—J. G. HUBER, Sioux City

Executive Committee.

W. W. Toole

J. G. Huber

Lee D. Koser

Rev. John J. Gent, 1923

Harry G. Langland Rev. M. A. Getzendaner, 1924

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Rev. C. Rollin Sherck, D. D., 1925.

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

Iowa Synodical Brotherhood

The meeting was called to order in Trinity Lutheran Church, in Sioux City, Ia., at 7:30 P. M., Monday evening, October 9, 1922, by Rev. J. Frank Heilman, D. D., local Pastor, in the absence of the regular officers.

The devotional Services were led by Mr. A. G. Heitman.

The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. W. H. Blancke D. D. of Newton, Ia. on the subject of, "Religious Education", which proved very interesting and inspiring.

Meeting adjourned by repeating the Lords' Prayer.

Second Session.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A. M., Tuesday, October 10, 1922, by Mr. S. P. Simonsen of Sioux City, Ia., who was elected to act as temporary chairman and who also led the Devotional Services.

Rev. F. R. Shirck of Ottumwa was called upon to offer prayer.

Following the Devotional Exercises a general discussion arose as to the value of a state Brotherhood. The remarks indicated that there is a great work for the Brotherhood in the Synod and that every thing possible should be done to encourage this organization.

Dr. W. K. Hill, Dean of Carthage College presented the appeal of that institution for \$5000, to be known as the Iowa Brotherhood Scholarship Fund. The same \$5000 is to be applied on the \$200,000 to be raised by the College to meet the Rockefeller Foundation Offer.

After repeating the Lord's Prayer the meeting adjourned for lunch.

Third Session.

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:30 by Rev. J. Frank Heilman, D. D., who called upon Rev. W. H. Blancke, D. D., to lead in prayer.

The Round Table was conducted by Rev. John J. Gent, of Fort Madison, Iowa.

Following this the convention turned to the regular order of business for the day.

Rev. John J. Gent, presiding by virtue of his membership on the Executive Committee.

Mr. W. W. Toole was appointed temporary secretary.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Motion prevailed allowing for \$10 for the printing of the programs.

Motion carried that the question of the time for holding the Brotherhood Meeting be changed to mid-summer, as decided at the previous session, be referred to the Executive Committee for future determination.

W. W. Toole, Nicholas Hanson, and Rev. W. H. Blancke, D. D., were appointed on the Resolutions Committee.

Motion prevailed that the matter of raising the \$5000 for Carthage College be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act as to whether and how it shall be done. In the remarks on this motion, it was strongly the feeling of the delegates present that some positive action be taken.

Election of Officers resulted in the unanimous election of the following officers:

President, W. W. Toole, Ottumwa.

Vice-President, Lee D. Koser, Iowa City.

Recording Secretary, Harry G. Langland, Nevada.

Corresponding Secretary, Roy Nelson, Ottumwa.

Treasurer, J. G. Huber, Sioux City.

Clerical Member of Executive Committee, Rev. C. Rollin Sherk, D. D., Iowa City, 1925.

Motion prevailed that we adjourn to meet Wednesday at 1 o'clock P. M. Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Fourth Session.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P. M., Wednesday, October 11, 1922 by the president.

Prayer by Rev. Holmes Dysinger, D. D.

The minutes of the meeting were read.

Motion passed that the minutes be adopted as read.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was read. Moved and passed that this report be accepted.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Resolutions committee wish to report the following resolutions:

- 1. Be it resolved that we, the representatives of the Federated Lutheran Brotherhoods of the Synod of Iowa, express our appreciation of the splendid reception and entertainment accorded us by the Rev. J. Frank Heilman, D. D., Pastor, and by the congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Sioux City while here in convention assembled.
- 2. Resolved that we reiterate our belief that the Educational Program of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church should be the one supreme thing in our endeavors in the service of the church.
- 3. Resolved that we urge the Pastors and laymen of all of our churches to put forth their best efforts to secure a larger representation of laymen at our next convention.

Respectfully submitted, REV. W. H. BLANCKE, D. D. W. W. TOOLE, NICHOLAS HANSEN. Motion prevailed that we adjourn.

The seventh Annual Meeting of the Iowa Synodical Brotherhood was closed with a prayer offered by Rev. C. Rollin Sherk, D. D.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. TOOLE,
Temporary Secretary.

DIRECTORY 1922-1923.

OFFICERS.

President
MISS ANNETTE BRICKER, Nevada.

First Vice President
MRS. S. M. LESHER, Burlington

Second Vice President MRS. FRANK HEILMAN, Souix City

Recording Secretary
MISS FLORENCE MARSHALL, Des Moines

Statistical Secretary
MRS. JENNIE WILLER, Tipton

Treasurer MRS. M. H. TAYLOR, Iowa City

Historian MRS. E. L. SLOANAKER, Newton

DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

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MRS. A. B. LEAMER, Des Moines
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MRS. JENNIE BOBO, Nevada

Life Membership & In Memoriam MRS. MARY FINLEY, Sioux City

Lace Industry
MRS. CARL YOUNGMAN, Des Moines

Light Brigade MRS. D. E. MAYNE, Newton

Student & Deaconess
MISS LETTA SIMMONS, (Carthage-Nevada)

Thank Offering HULDA BRIGHT, Fairfield

Young People
MISS META FRERICHS, Clinton

STANDING COMMITTEES

Dormitory
MRS. T. J. CANNY, Burlington

Iowa Special
MRS. S. M. LESHER, Burlington

S. M. LESHER, Burlington Literature

MRS. HENRY INGERTSON, Webster City

Magazine
MRS. ARTHUR BUTLER, Davenport
Chairman of 50th Anniversary Com.
MRS. A. B. LEAMER, Des Moines

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Woman's Missionary Society

of the

Synod of Iowa

of the

United Lutheran Church in America

Convention Theme: "WORKERS TOGETHER WITH GOD."

Motto: "ANYWHERE, PROVIDED IT BE FORWARD."
—Livingstone.

FIRST SESSION

Tuesday, October 10, 1922, 2:30 P. M.

After the devotional service conducted by Mrs. S. C. Franzen, Iowa City, Subject being "Consecration", the Forty-eighth annual convention was declared open.

Officers present:

President-Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines, Iowa.

Vice President-Mrs. S. M. Lesher, Burlington, Iowa.

Recording Secretary-Mrs. Jennie Bobo, Nevada, Iowa.

Treasurer-Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Iowa City, Iowa.

Historian-Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker, Newton, Iowa.

Solo-Miss Dora Finley, Sioux City, Iowa.

Call to order and presentation of credentials.

Burlington—Women's: Mrs. T. J. Canny and Mrs. T. J. Smith. Light Brigade: Mrs. S. M. Lesher.

Clinton—Women's: Mrs. G. H. Steele, Jr. Young Women's: Miss Meta Frerichs.

Des Moines-Women's: Mrs. A. J. Palas and Mrs. J. W. Bailey. Young Women's: Mrs. Florence Marshall.

Fernald-Women's: Mrs. Jake Solberg.

Iowa City-Women's: Mrs. S. C. Franzen.

Missouri Valley—Women's: Mrs. Arthur Hanse, Mrs. Elias Christenson, Mrs. N. K. Peterson.

Nevada—Women's: Mrs. W. S. Smith, Miss Annette Bricker. Young Women's: Miss Ruth Day.

Newton-Women's: Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker.

Sioux City—Women's: Mrs. Frank Heilman, Mrs. C. F. Manhold, Mrs. Mary Finley.

Tipton-Women's: Mrs. Jennie Willer.

Webster City-Mrs. H. E. Oleson, Mrs. O. Larson.

Department Secretaries

Home Department-Miss Annette Bricker.

Standing Committees

Literature-Mrs. Henry Ingerston.

Box Work—Mrs. S. M. Lesher.

Dormitory-Mrs. T. J. Canny.

Visitors—Mrs. Herbst, Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. L. Peterson, Mrs. J. W. Bently, Mrs. Moen, Miss Ford, Mrs. L. M. Lind, Mrs. Emma Merten, Mrs. DeBeir, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. E. E. Aronson, Mrs. W. Johnson, Mrs. Oscar Oleson, Mrs. J. E. Swanson, Mrs. H. E. Hanson, Mrs. Robert Hedenberg, Mrs. Hallberg, Mrs. J. R. Streeve, Mrs. T. Anderson, Mrs. Heilman, Mrs. McIntire.

Address of Welcome-Mrs. Frank Heilman, Sioux City, Iowa.

Response-Mrs. N. K. Peterson, Missouri Valley, Iowa.

President's Address-Mrs. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers-

Another year of opportunity and blessing has been ours. The records are closed. The reports are ready for presentation. We are here assembled to hear what the combined efforts of thirty five organizations, including old and young, little and big folks, have accomplished by following definite and uniform plans for working. We are here to be inspired to determine to make each new year's record better than the last. Good fellowship, inspiring addresses, prayers and praise, make these days spent together annually, a time of sacred joy and mutual helpfulness.

The more closely we watch the growth of Missionary Societies, the more clearly do we see the development is in proportion to increased knowledge, to the revelation from God's Word as to what He requires of His followers as stewards of the great gospel committed to them, and an acquaintance with the facts and conditions of the Christless nations. This knowledge invariably leads to a God given determination to carry or send the light of life to some of these millions in the darkness of heathendom. Wherever there is a real vision of the field and its needs, there, too comes the awakened feeling of personal responsibility and an ever increasing intelligent interest in the operations of the Church for the extension of the Master's Kingdom. Let us pray that this larger vision may be ours these days together and thru us to every missionary member in Iowa that each

may be quickened and guided by the Holy Spirit into the doing of a larger and a better service. We believe that "whoever prays most helps most."

Again and again on the floor of convention at Pittsburg came the appeal for more trained and consecrated workers in the missionary operations of the church. Women doctors, nurses and teachers, deaconesses, leaders of young people and children, teachers for mission study classes and other forms of Christian service. How shall we answer the call? Do we not often underestimate one avenue through which we may all have a share in advancing the cause of Christ? It is intercessory prayer. Every grave crisis in the extension of Christianity which has been successfully met, has been met by the faithfulness of Christ's disciples in the secret place of prayer. Tennyson says:

"More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day;
For what are men better than sheep or goats,
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, God knowing, they lift not hands of prayer,
Both for themselves and those who call them friends?
For so the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

During the past twelve months but little visitation has been possible. But the more frequent correspondence and splendid cooperation on the part of all the workers in the state has placed the missionary activities on a higher plane than ever before. From the "Campaign for New Members" put on right after convention last fall, on through the four quarters, there has been a steady growth and a willing response to nearly every request. We have gained, through the campaign, one hundred members for the women's societies, fifty for the young women and the Light Brigade has trebled its number, having a present membership of six hundred and organizations in twelve of the congregations. The finances have increased in proportion to our numerical gains.

The hope of the future church is with the children of today. As Christian women we dare not shirk our responsibility of being leaders or providing the right kind of leaders for this very important department. If there is a delegate present in whose congregation no missionary instruction is provided for the children I would urge that you, yourself, after prayerful consideration offer your services that this work may soon be begun.

Our Thank Offering continues to grow indicating that we more and more remember "daily" our boxes with gifts as we count our blessings o'er and o'er.

The Lenten week of "prayer and self denial" was generally observed,

but our hope and desire is, that every women's and young women's society snould observe it and share in its blessings.

We women of Iowa also had a part in raising the ten-thousand subscription list for "The Lutheran", thus making possble the gift of \$2,500 from the Editors. This sum together with the bonus of fifty cents on each new subscription, has all gone into the fund for the much needed "Girls School" in Japan. We hope that all of these new subscribers will also become readers, then are we sure that increased interest in missionary doings will follow.

Our subscriptions to "Lutheran Woman's Work" have not kept pace with our increase in membership. Here is one weak place which we may all help to strengthen when we return to our homes, by earnestly seeking and securing new subscribers.

We are glad to tell you that at Ottumwa, a women's society was organized last January with the pastor's wife, Mrs. F. R. Shirck, as the efficient president. She writes, "not one member has ever belonged to a missionary society, but by planning, praying and working we hope that someday things will be better." Let us each one put this newest society on our prayer list.

Clinton now has a wide awake Light Brigade, and the Torch Bearer division has been organized at Missouri Valley. The Women's Society at Missouri Valley is the only one that reports a doubling of membership since last year.

As Helper's Circles, particularly as to gifts of money, we have to present this year a Sunday School Class at Cedar Rapids for the support of a native worker in Africa, another at Des Moines for five shares toward the support of Miss Miller, in India, and the Primary Department of the Sioux City Sunday School, a very generous sum to be applied upon various kinds of work assigned to children. At several other places our splendid literature is being distributed and read. In time this seed sowing will also bring results. "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed", and every one of us needs to be much in prayer that God may guide us into the right and successful way of establishing our work in the places yet unoccupied. Our beloved Mrs. W. W. Witmer of Des Moines left a legacy of two hundred dollars to be used as we direct. Our Iowa Special this year is Ottumwa, a very worthy mission. We hope that the response will be generous and we thank God for the privilege of doing this bit of real home mission work. Last year Nevada, Des Moines and Newton received pennants for having attained one hundred per cent in missionary organization. This year three others are to be thus honored. We are also urged to strive toward attainment of the "Standard of Excellence" as recommended by the General Society. During this convention goals for this year will be presented. Let us do all in our power to reach them. A river that breaks up into little streams only creates a swamp. It is the river that pours all of its water into one channel and in one direction that carries the ships. It is those who put all of their gifts and strength and energy into one purpose who help the world and themselves.

The Department Secretaries will have some happy surprises in their reports for you, study them carefully, I will not encroach other than to say it is gratifying to know and to feel that we are growing, and we are:—

"Looking backward thankfully,

Looking forward hopefully,

Looking upward prayerfully,

Looking onward faithfully."

The Secretary is ready to report the transactions of the Executive Committee meetings. The bulk of the year's work has been carried on by correspondence. 200 letters have been written and numerous post cards have been sent out.

Recommendations

1st. That the extension of our work be prayerfully continued until we realize our "Watchwords"—"A women's society in every congregation in Iowa", "A Light Brigade in every missionary society."

2nd. That we have an annual campaign for members.

3rd. That each society enlarge its subscription list to Lutheran Women's Work.

4th. That we all faithfully observe the first week of Lent as a "week of prayer and self-denial" for missions.

5th. That every society make prompt quarterly and annual reports to their respective Synodical officers and Department Secretaries.

6th. That we have a shower of "Life and In Memoriam" memberships for presentation at next convention.

7th. That the ten cents per capita annual Synodical fee and the ten cents annual Travel Fund be paid regularly with the July quarter.

8th. That during the Lenten season each women's soicety endeavor to conduct a mission study class.

And now expressing my deep appreciation for your kindness, your cooperation and your hearty support in my efforts, I return to you the second time the sacred trust committed to me.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. B. LEAMER.

Outstanding results of the year's work—One from each congregational society.

Report read from our new society of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Davenport, of a Charter Membership of twenty-five.

Motion by Miss Bricker that we heartily accept this new organization and recording secretary write greetings to them. Carried.

Letter of greeting read from Mrs. W. Weier, Gen. Treas. Collection \$3.75.

Twilight hour-Mrs. W. S. Smith, Nevada, Iowa.

Wednesday, 9:00 A. M.

9:00—Confessional and Communion with Synod. 10:00—Call to order by Vice President, Mrs. S. M. Lesher. Roll call and minutes read and approved. Report of President. Report of Executive Committee.

Executive Committee Meetings.

Des Moines, Iowa.
June 10, 1922.

The Recording Secretary, four Department Secretaries, and the President met at St. John's Church for a conference for the good of the work and to arrange formative plans for our "Jubilee Celebration". We recommend:

- 1. That while our 50th Convention will occur in 1924, we have our celebration in 1925 when we will have completed fifty years of work.
- 2. That our Celebration have a two-fold objective—the first to be that of extension of organization and increased membership, having as goals—members in Women's and Young People's Societies and—members in the Light Brigade. The second objective to be that of raising a fund, "Gifts of Gold", for some specified purposes.
- 3. That at this convention such Committees be appointed as seem advisable to further the plans.
- 4. That Mrs. Laura B. Snider, Iowa's first Synodical President, be made a Memorial Member during this session of convention.
- 5. That the Mary S. Witmer legacy of \$200 be held as part of our Jubilee Ingathering.

Des Moines, Iowa. August 28, 1922.

The Treasurer, two Department Secretaries and the President held a meeting to arrange program for this convention.

The Officers and Department Secretaries thank you for your loyal sup-

port and willing response to all calls and appeals that have gone out for the advancement of our Missionary activities in Iowa.

> Respectfully submtted, MRS. A. B. LEAMER, Pres. MRS. JENNIE BOBO, Sec'y MRS. M. H. TAYLOR, Treas.

Motion by Miss Bricker that we accept executive committee recommendations as a whole. Carried.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, SYNOD OF IOWA, AUGUST 1, 1921, TO AUGUST 1, 1922. SYNODICAL TREASURY.

| Offerings for Iowa Special 220,00 Refund to Synodical Treasury 2,92 Synodical Fees from 19 Societies 56,90 Total Receipts 56,90 To Balance Total in Treasury | \$325.27 174.35 499.62 |
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| EXPENDITURES. Oct. 5. Pd. Miss Levine, Convention Speaker \$10.00 Oct. 8. Pd. Mrs A. B. Leamer, Pres., Expense of Office 18.05 Mrs. Jennie Bobo, Rec. Sec'y 8.29 Mrs. H. G. Vollmer, Sta. Sec'y 4.94 Mrs. Henry Ingertson, Lit. Sec'y 9.19 Mrs. J. M. McPherrin, L. M. Sec'y 9.19 Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Treas. 5.86 Oct. 10. Pd.J. A. Johnson for Convention Programs 15.00 Oct. 20. Pd. J. A. Behnke, Treas. of Synod, Iowa Special for Ottumwa 120.00 Oct. 20. Pd. J. A. Behnke, Iowa Special for Missouri Valley 200.00 | |
| Jan. 28. Cash to Carthage College Dormitory Fund 5.00 Jan. 31. Pd. Mrs. Leamer, Letter Heads, Stationery and Postage 7.00 Total Expenditures To Balance, Aug. 1, 1922 CARTHAGE COLLEGE DORMITORY FUND. | \$406.25 93.37 |
| 1921. Aug. 1, To Balance \$ 5.00 1922. Jan. 28. To Cash 5.00 Total By Balance MRS M. H. TAYLOR, Treasurer. | \$ 10.00 \$10.00 |

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the undersigned, have this day, October 5th, 1922, audited the Books and reports of Mrs. M. H. Taylor, Treasurer of The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Iowa, and found them correct.

MRS. GEO. L. FREYDER, MRS. S. C. FRANZEN.

Iowa City, Iowa.

Report of statistical secretary read.

Supt. Walters of Tabitha Home was introduced and presented the needs of the home and members cared for.

Rev. B. H. Dickey, Guntur, India, Boys' Boarding school, introduced He spoke of the various stations in India, their work and their needs.

"Intercession-a Duty or a Privilege", Miss Annette Bricker.

Prayer for Consecrated Leadership.

Announcements.

Committees appointed.

Officers-Mrs. S. C. Franzen, Mrs. Arthur Palas, Mrs. H. E. Oleson.

Department Secys.—Mrs. W. S. Smith, Mrs. J. Solberg, Mrs. J. Willer.

Nominations—Miss A. Bricker, Mrs. A. Canny, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Miss Meta Frericks, Mrs. Nels Peterson, Mrs. Oscar Larson, Mrs. Mary Finley. Letters and Papers—Mrs. Geo. Steele, Jr., Mrs. L. Peterson.

Resolutions-Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker, Mrs. T. J. Smith, Miss Florence Marshall.

Auditing-Mrs. Geo. Freyder, Mrs. S. C. Franzen.

Reporters—Mrs. M. H. Taylor, "Lutheran Woman's Work", Mrs. Frank Heilman, "Lutheran", Miss Florence Marshall, "City Reporter."

Pages-Miss Meta Frericks, Miss Ruth Day.

Lace Industry-Mrs. Mary Finley, Mrs. J. M. Herbst.

Benediction.

Wednesday, 1:30 P. M.

Devotion, "Faith."—Mrs. H. E. Oleson, Webster City.

Roll call omitted, Minutes read and approved.

Memorial Service—Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker, Newton, Iowa. Tribute paid to Mrs. Carrie Dorner, Mrs. Arthur Dean, Mrs. Maud Gratian, Mrs. Dora Tovay, Mrs. Anna Ham.

Life and In Memoriam report prepared by Mrs. J. M. McPherrin, read by Mrs. J. W. Bailey.

To the Iowa Synodical Society.

My dear Friends:

The Department of "Life Membership and In Memoriam" is very happy to announce the Honor Roll has enjoyed a splendid growth the past year.

We wish to express our very great appreciation and pleasure, at the support given this Department.

February 24th, circular letters were sent to the Societies enclosing a circular letter from our General Department Secretary, Mrs. L. K. Sandford, also folders, giving all necessary information concerning the Department.

In September, I issued a call asking each Society to report the number of Memberships taken during the Synodical year. The result was very encouraging to your Secretary.

Whereas, we only reported a total of seven memberships last year, this year we are pleased to report twenty. Three times as many membrships were applied for in 1922 as in 1921.

It has been a noteworthy fact that whenever a Society has taken or given a membership, either life, or Memorial, there has been an increased activity in both its membership and its sphere of usefulness.

"Give, and it shall be given unto you."

A marked activity is shown in the Young Ladies Societies. Five memberships were taken by them this year.

Following is the list of Life and Memorial Memberships reported to me during the year August 1st, 1921 to August 1st, 1922:

Life.

Jan. 18th, Nevada, W. M. S., Mrs. Laura Smith.

Jan. 23rd, Des Moines, C. S. M. S., Thelma Ada Bailey.

Mch. 6th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Mrs. J. M. McPherrin.

Mch. 10th., Cedar Rapids, W. M. S., Mrs. L. E. Blessing.

Mch. 10th, Cedar Rapids, W. M. S., Mrs. J. O. Simon.

April 1st, Nevada, Y. L. S., Miss Letta Simmons.

April 20th, Newton, W. M. S., Miss Emma Griebeling.

April 20th, Newton, W. M. S., Mrs. F. S. Graham.

May 19th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Mrs. J. W. Rehman.

May 19th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Mrs. Geo. Maish.

May 19th, Des Moines, C. S. M. S. Mrs. Ed Hetzel.

May 19th, Des Moines, Y. W. S., Mrs. Frank Heidt.

July 21st, Fairfield, W. M. S., Mrs. Eliza McCrackin.

July 26th, Des Moines, C. S. M. S., Miss Inman.

"In Memoriam."

Sept. 14th, Nevada, W. M. S. Transfer, Mrs. Ada Fitchpatrick.

April 22nd, Nevada, W. M. S., Transfer, Mrs. Arthur Dean.

May 19th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Transfer, Miss Cornelia Stein.

May 19th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Transfer, Mrs. Mary S. Witmer.

May 19th, Des Moines, W. M. S., Transfer, Mrs. Dora Lovey.

July 24th, Burlington, W. M. S., Transfer, Mrs. Carrie Dorner.

Respectively submitted,

Respectively submitted,
MRS. J. M. McPHERRIN.

Department Secretary.

"Our Efficiency Chart—Shall We Continue It?"—Mrs. A. B. Leamer. Webster City and Cedar Rapids given pennants as being 100% efficient. The convention was in favor of continuing the chart as a working goal. Chart to be brought up to date.

Greetings from Ottumwa, one of our baby missionary societies, given by Rev. Fred Ross Shirck.

Symposium—"Campaigns—Their Advantages, Their Disadvantages"—Mrs. Taylor.

"After a membership campaign—What?"—Mrs. Bobo, Women's; Miss Marshall, Young Women's.

"After a Magazine Campaign—What?"—Miss Meta Frericks, Gen. Disc. Song—"O, Worship the King."

Report of Pittsburg Convention-Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Leamer.

Report of Young People and Student Work—Paper prepared by Miss Letta Simmons, read by Mrs. Solberg.

Solo-Mrs. Dora Nelson, Sioux City, Iowa.

Playlet—"Will You Walk Into My Parlor?"—Juniors of Sioux City. Offering—\$5.01.

Twilight Hour-Mrs. W. S. Smith, Nevada, Iowa.

Wednesday, 8:00 P. M.

Vesper Service—Rev. Frank Heilman, D. D., Sioux City. Scripture Lesson and Prayer—Rev. Paul Clouser, Valley Jct. Hymn.

Announcements.

Special Music-Sioux City Choir.

"Needs As I Saw Them In The Orient."—Mrs. Frank Heilman.

Special Music.

Ingathering for "Iowa Special"-Mrs. Lesher.

Closing Prayer and Benediction—Rev. Joseph Peterson, Missouri Valley.

Thursday, 9:00 A. M.

Devotions, "Witnessing" Led by the Young Women's Delegates. Minutes of Wed. afternoon and evening read and approved.

Report of Home Department:

"The Secretary of Home Department submits the following report: Number of Home Departments—7.

Total number of members—117.

This is an increase over last years report but the increase is not as large as it should be. Will the delegates please bring this important department of our work before their society and urge that Missionary Literature be distributed among the ladies of the congregations who are not active members of the Missionary Society and in that way increase the membership of the Home Department and organize a Home Department.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNETTE BRICKER.

Motion made that bill for Home Department supplies for distribution to delegates be allowed. \$2.80 Carried.

Report of Light Brigade prepared by Mrs. D. E. Mayne, read by Mrs. Sloanaker.

TO THE IOWA SYNODICAL SOCIETY

Report of Supt. Light Brigade.

My dear fellow workers:-

I am happy to say that my report is a little more encouraging this year that has just past than for the year previous. The response to my letters has been very good this year, for which I want to take this opportunity of thanking you all, for without your splendid co-operation this report would not show the improvement that it does. Great interest has been manifested in the work of the Light Brigade everywhere.

We have 11 Light Brigades organized now with a total membership of 651. The total amount Contributed during the year was \$201.73.

Several Congregations that I wrote to urging them to organize the children responded by saying that "they couldn't because they hadn't their women organized." For these Congregations, if you have a delegate present, let me urge you to. Please don't let this excuse cause you to neglect the children's organization. Don't wait until the women organize, but see to it that the children are organized, then it will be so much easier to organize your women.

The common complaint is "We have no person suitable to lead these children after they are organized." Let me say in answer to this complaint that if you are ready to do God's will, He in turn will see that a leader is supplied. God placed a great responsibility upon our shoulders when He gave us these children to train for His service. Let us not be guilty of shirking that responsibility. It is truly a great and wonderful work to be the leader and teacher of the children. With God's help you will be able to share the blessing that He has for you. Just say to yourself that "with God's help I am going home to organize the children of our Congregation and will trust Him for the rest" and you will have accomplished a great work for the Kingdom.

Respectfully,

MRS. D. E. MAYNE, Newton, Ia.

Work discussed by Mrs. Leamer.

Poem-"Morning Glories"-read by Mrs. Lesher.

REPORT OF MAGAZINE SECRETARY

| Women's Societies | Subs. | Increase | Decrease |
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| Burlington | 23 | | 2 |
| Cedar Rapids | 25 | | 1 |
| Clinton | 10 | | |
| Des Moines | 7 8 | | 8 |

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| Fairfield | | 22 | 6 | |
| Iowa City | | 20 | 4 | |
| Muscatine | | 11 | 2 | |
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| Sioux City | | 5 | | |
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Respectfully submitted, MRS. ARTHUR M. BUTLER.

Report of Thank Offering Secretary.

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| Burlington, W\$ | 61.00 |
| Burlington, Lt. Bgde. | 2.30 |
| Cedar Rapids, W. | 46.60 |
| Cedar Rapids, Y. L. | |
| Cedar Rapids, Jr. M. S. Cedar Rapids, Tch. Brs. | 1.00 |
| Cedar Rapids, Tch. Brs. | 2.00 |
| Cedar Rapids, Lt. Lts. & Lptrs. | 3.00 |
| Clinton, W. | 13.23 |
| Clinton, Y. L. | 16.01 |
| Davenport, W. | 25.00 |
| Des Moines, W. Des Moines, Y. L. | 85.94 |
| Des Moines, Y. L. | 33.55 |
| Des Moines, C. S. M. S. | 11.00 |
| Des Moines, Lt. Bgde. :- | |
| Dubuque, W. Fairfield, W. | 26.40 |
| Fairfield, W. | 36.75 |
| Fairfield, Tch. Brs. Fernald, W. | 1.95 |
| Fernald, W. | 22.41 |
| Iowa City, W. | 37.63 |
| Iowa City, M. B. M. S. | 6.53 |
| Iowa City, Lt. Bgde. Muscatine, W. | 3.02 |
| Muscatine, W. | 12.50 |
| Nevada, W. | 70.00 |
| Nevada, Y. L. | 26.00 |

| Newton, W. | 28.00 |
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| Newton, C. L. M. C. | 4.50 |
| Newton, Lt. Bgde. | |
| Sioux City, W. | 2.97 |
| Sioux City, Prim. Dept. | 15.70 |
| Tipton, W. | 34.00 |
| Tipton, Lt. Bgde. & Jrs. | 5.00 |
| Webster City, W. | 25.00 |
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HULDA BRIGHT.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

The Young People's Department reports five Young People's societies and four Helpers' Circles, with a membership of 210 active and 18 honorary members. The reports from Nevada, Clinton and Des Moines were splendid, all showing increase in all lines of activity. I would urge the delegates to insist on reports from all secretaries receive prompt replies in order that better reports can be sent to Convention.

Respectfully submitted, CORRINE NEAFFIE.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

I am delighted to report that in response to the questions sent out to our local Societies throughout the State, good and full reports came in—all societies having answered, except two—Dubuque and Fernald.

Out baby Missionary Society at Missouri Valley has the most new members—18 in number—Des Moines standing next with 16 new members. Some socieites reported no increase in membership at all. We know of one past president who was never satisfied unless she succeeded in getting two new members at each meeting. This goal was reached. I would suggest "Guest Day" twelve times a year. Take a friend if possible. The result may surprise you.

The total new members throughout the State was 73 as reported to me. Along financial lines all reported material increase. Let us study our Treasurers report. May the verse, "The Silver and Gold are mine, saith the Lord and the cattle on a thousand hills" ring persistently in all our hearts.

The average attendance each month was also good. 21. I consider this a pretty good pulse denoting life and activity each month. Let us strive to make each monthly meeting vital, fresh enthusiastic and uplifting. Plan program so delightful that not one woman will want to miss a single session.

The day for old pokey Missionary Meetings is over.

All societies report using the L. W. Work—our packets as prepared—also clippings from other sources, consisting of poems, Editorials, Stories of Americanization and Immigration, World News, Missionary reports, etc. Maps also can be used and pictures play an important part. Also our Juniors are reported to have assisted on the vacation programs, with readings, song or story. Many societies report summer outdoor meetings in Parks or Country homes. Getting into God's out-of-doors gives zest and fresh interest to summer programs. Also public Thank Offering Meetings were held—getting our men to attend and opening their eyes to our fields of labor and our ways of working. Any minister is willing, or ought to be, to give one Sunday evening a year to this splendid theme.

Newton society reports a special egg sale at Easter time. Large baskets are at the door to receive them. Ladies who have no hens always hand in cash. Average amount of cash from sale of eggs is \$25.00.

Newton also reports two life members.

We have five new names added to our Book of Remembrance.

Mrs. Carrie Dorner.

Mrs. Arthur Dean.

Mrs. Maude Gratian.

Mrs. Dora Tovay.

Mrs. Anna Ham.

We would like to record Mrs. Cronk's visit to the Des Moines churches last spring. The talks and lectures were a great inspiration to the women. Many Lutheran workers came in from nearby towns, being thus able to take new ideas, plans and inspiration back to their local societies.

Praying God's blessing on each member of our Iowa Missionary coworkers, having great faith in all the Promises, we look forward to making each succeeding year better than the last. Trusting this, we submit this report.

Respectfully,
MRS. E. L. SLOANAKER,
State Historian.

Round table conference—"Problems"—Mrs. Lesher. Correctèd statistical report read and accepted.

REPORT OF BOX-WORK SECRETARY

Letters were sent to all congregational societies in time to be acted upon at their September meeting, asking for offerings toward a \$200.00 Fund to be used in our Home Mission work at Ottumwa, Iowa.

The sum of \$220.00 was realized from this appeal.

MRS. S. M. LESHER, Sec'y, "Iowa Special."

REPORT OF DORMITORY SECRETARY

I wish to report that the Iowa Missionary Society rooms in Denhart Hall are still in good condition and are occupied by a Junior and Sophomore and two Freshmen in the other.

Mr. Beiswanger reports having expended \$6.00 for paint this year, and would be glad to be able to buy a dresser in dark oak for another year. If the Missionary Society is willing, they can communicate directly with him.

Miss Simmons thanks the Missionary Society again for what they have done in the past and sends greetings to the convention wishing she might be here with us.

MRS. CANNY,
Dormitory Secy.

Election held which resulted as follows:
President—Miss Annette Bricker.
First Vice-President—Mrs. S. M. Lesher.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. F. Heilman.
Recording Secretary—Miss Florence Marshall.
Stastical Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Willer.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. H. Taylor.
Historian—Mrs. E. L. Sloanaker.

Bills presented and ordered paid. Benediction.

Thursday, 1:30 P. M.

Devotion—"Praise"—Led by Mrs. Herbst.

"Our Children—The Hope of the Future Church"—Paper written by Mrs. D. E. Mayne, Read by Mrs. Sloanaker.

Report of Committee on Departmental Secretaries read and accepted.

Committee on Departmental Secretaries reports after examining the reports find that all departments have made progress during the year, except the Young People's Department, which we recommend be referred back for a more complete report.

We would recommend more active work in all departments.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. S. SMITH,
MRS. J. E. WILLER,
MRS. J. SOLBERG.

Mrs. A. B. Leamer was appointed to assist on program committee for 50th Anniversary plans.

Paper—"Lighted to Lighten"—Mrs. A. Palas, Des Moines.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

We, the undersigned, have looked over the letters and papers of the Synodical Society and find them to be correct and acceptable.

MRS. G. H. STEELE, Jr. MRS. NELS PETERSON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS

Your Committee wishes to report that it has examined the reports of the President, the Executive Committee, the Treasurers, and Statistical Secretary, and find that there is progress along each line. It commends the President for her efficient work during the past year and recommends the executive committee's plans for our Golden Jubilee to he held in 1925. We speak a word in memory of those who have passed to their Heavenly home during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. S. C. FRANZEN
MRS. A. J. PALAS
MRS. H. E. OLESON.

Motion prevailed that we accept recommendations given in President's address.

Song-"He Leadeth Me."

Solo-Mrs. Wm. Beuttler, Sioux City.

Installation of Officers—Conducted by Rev. A. B. Leamer.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that we express to the Sioux City ladies our appreciation for all courtesies and kindnesses extended to us and the welcome we have received into the homes and church, during this convention. Also our pleasure and delight in the beautiful solos, rendered, and the music of the organ and choirs. Also that to the retiring officers we express our appreciation for all work so earnestly and lovingly given to forward all branches of our beloved Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. SLOANAKER
MRS. T. J. SMITH
MISS FLORENCE MARSHALL

Minutes of morning session read and accepted.

Collection—\$3.40.

Demonstration—"Who Killed the Magazine?"—Missionary society of Sioux City.

Report of Literature Department.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF LITERATURE

Quite a little correspondence has been carried on between the Secretary

of Literature and the Statistical Secretaries of our various congregational societies during the past year. Some or the most outstanding being:

Last fall all societies were furnished "Membership Campaign" literature. This was accompanied by a letter.

In January the following tracts were sent to all societies: Your questions answered about literature for 1922, Efficiency literature for reaching the standard of excellence, and Lenten Week of Prayer and Self Denial for Missions. This was also accompanied by a letter.

Of the 16 questionaires sent out to the Women's Societies, all but five were returned properly filled out. All use the monthly programs as outlined in Woman's Work. A little different method is used in assigning the topic. All regularly read Lutheran Woman's work. The Standard of Efficiency has been presented to all but Dubuque Fernald and Missouri Valley. As to its adoption having developed greater efficiency through more intensive interest as expressed in larger service and gifts. Some say, yes. Some—somewhat. Some say the interest is not what it should be and others say they hope to profit a great deal by it.

All the quetionaires except one sent out to the Young People's societies were returned. All use the programs in Woman's Work. The assignment of the topic is practically the same, each member of the society taking her turn in being leader. All read Wowan's Work. The Standard of Efficiency has been presented to all but one of the Young People's Societies, and where it has been presented it has developed much more interest.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. HENRY INGERTSON,
Secretary of Literature.

Amount of Sales, \$25.35.

Report of sales of lace. \$24.00.

Minutes of afternoon read and approved.

Greetings from president of Synod and invitation to meet in Cedar Rapids for 1923.

Twilight Hour, Mrs. Smith, Nevada, Iowa.

All business being transacted the President declared the Forty-eighth convention closed.

Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JENNIE BOBO,
Recording Secy.

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